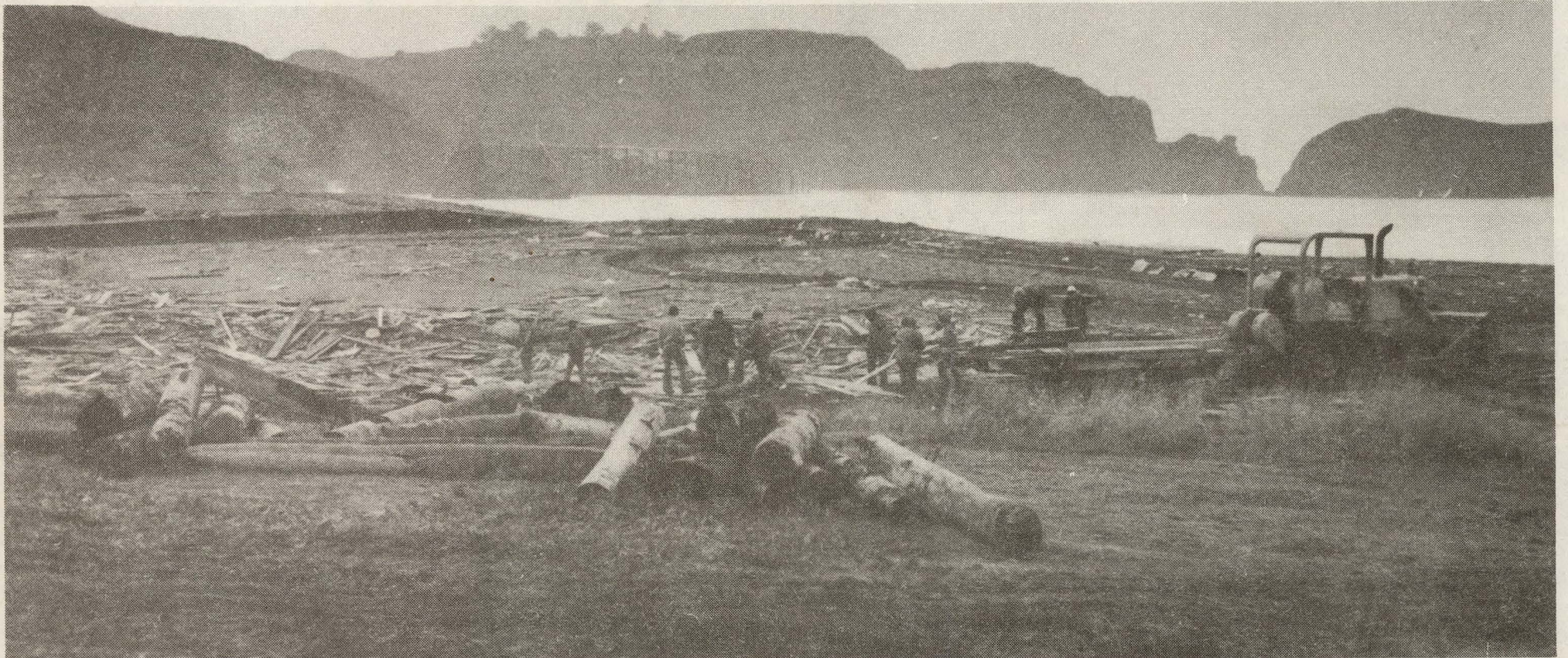


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Beached barge

The litter from one of two run away barges covers the beach at Fort Chronkite, while a

barge containing deadly chlorine gas sits on the rocks in the background. Presidio units

were called to help in this first crisis of the 1980s. (Photo by Tony Rose)

Presidio units help out

Chlorine gas scare is over

A barge carrying tons of deadly chlorine gas aground Dec. 31, off the Golden Gate National Recreation Area at Fort Chronkite and Point Bonita.

The barge, was one of two which broke away from a tug boat during rough seas caused by the New Year's Eve storm.

Because of the danger of the containers breaking open, the Presidio Fire Department was alerted by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Once the barge was spotted colliding with the rocks off Bird Rock and Rodeo Beach, the Presidio Military Police, the Facilities Engineers, as well as other post emergency services were summoned to the scene.

Along with the Coast Guard, the National Park Service and a private maritime salvage company, the Presidio units set up a command post at the Park Service Headquarters.

According to Presidio Fire Chief, Billy Williams, the group drew up plans for the emergency evacuation of residence leaving in the Fort Barry and East Fort Baker housing areas in the event the cannisters containing the gas broke open.

Buses from the post motor pool were dispatched to the scene to be on hand in case of evacuation. Military Police went from house to

house warning residence that they would have only five minutes to moved out if they had to leave the area.

Plans to remove the cannisters were hampered throughout New Years Eve, due to the lack of a manifest which told where the deadly gas was located and because of poor weather conditions.

The Presidio Fire Department, was given the responsibility for removing the cannisters due to an agreement with the Park Service, states Williams.

The new year brought a break in the weather. Members of the fire department were able to board the barge at low tide to assess the damage and to determine the condition of the cannisters containing the chlorine gas.

Removal of the gas began Jan. 2, but it was no easy task.

The 35 gas cylinders were stored in quantities of eleven or twelve per steel containerized box. Each cylinder contained one ton of gas.

On Jan. 2, plans to remove the chlorine gas were finalized and the Presidio Fire Department request mutual aid from the Marin County Fire Department. The post firemen needed the loan of the "Jaws of Life", a piece of equipment capable of cutting through the metal container boxes without causing sparks or generating any heat.

The Presidio and Marin County firemen were air lifted on to the barge along with their equipment and began work on the most accessible container.

After several hours of work the first containerized box was peeled open and the firemen proceeded to work on the second box.

Getting to the second box was not as easy as it first appeared. In order to reach the chlorine the workers had to go through a container loaded with a liquid corrosive material.

The container was damaged by the wave action and the "jaws of life" had to be used to punch a hole in the box. There was some concern among the workers that some of the liquid might have spilled and that might cause a hydrogen gas build up if the acid came in contact with steel.

Fortunately no acid was spilled and work began to unload the chlorine cylinders.

By Jan. 4, all the chlorine gas cylinders had been removed safely from the barge.

While the work to unload the deadly gas was going on, cleanup the Fort Chronkite beach was also underway. The second barge which carried a large amount of lumber had broken up leaving its cargo all along the beach.

Presidio faces telephone service cut

Presidio telephone users are being asked to reduce toll and long distance calls by 25 percent as a result of a drastic cut in the Army's communication budget. The cut back affects only official telephones, according to Lt. Col. Charles Gorkinski, USACC-Presidio Commander.

Gorkinski, explained that the request was being made because the usage of long distance telephone calls has become "exceedingly expensive."

Gorkinski stated that the budget reduction will have a minimal impact on normal business if certain conservation methods are employed.

"There is a real problem with the reduction, but it can be minimized if callers will give more thought to how they place their calls. If people would use the WATS system, or AUTOVON, instead of commercial long-distance, it would cut our costs tremendously. The problem is that some people don't want to wait to use a WATS line, or that there is no AUTOVON service available, so

they use commercial long-distance lines," explained Gorkinski.

The WATS system is the Wide Area Telecommunications Service. It is a special leased line with rates for cheaper than regular phone rates. Currently Presidio has 13 lines in use.

To illustrate the wide cost differences of WATS and direct dialing, a one hour WATS-line call to Washington, D. C. costs about \$7 during working hours. The very same call would cost \$23 if dialed directly.

"I want to emphasize that people must use more discretion when calling long distance if the 25 percent reduction is to be met. I believe that callers should treat each official call as if they would have to pay for it out of their own pocket. This way I'm sure the calls would be placed with some forethought on economy and duration," Gorkinski added.

An alternate method of long distance communication is to call "off-net". "Off-net" is when you call a military post through AUTOVON

which can place a local call through for you on an Army switchboard.

Along with the cut-back of long distance toll calls USACC faces a 48 percent reduction in new supplies such as telephone cables, telephones, and related articles for fiscal year 1980.

Gorkinski said that such a cut-back in supplies is "going to cause more waiting time for installation of service, making repairs, or adjusting existing lines. This should not affect the private phones we service however."

Also affected by the fund-slash will be the hours of overtime employees will be allowed. Gorkinski mentioned that overtime will be reduced "except in emergencies." This cut-back in man hours will contribute to the longer wait for telephone repair and installation service.

The USACC chief finally stressed that although cut-backs are great, their impact will be reduced when people start to use their telephones more wisely.

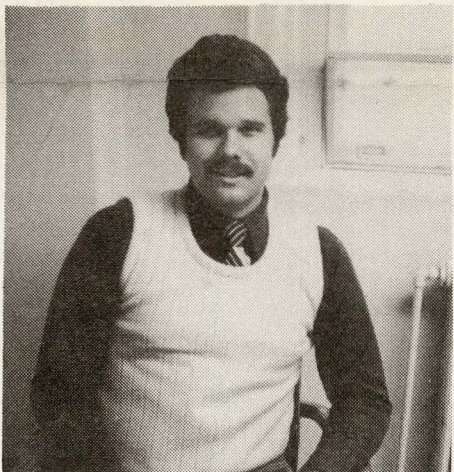
Ramblin' Sam

What do expect
in the 1980s?



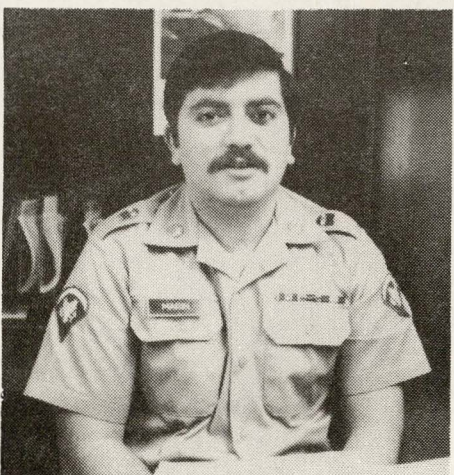
Lynn Rice, LAMC I.G. Office—"I expect worse world conditions because they haven't improved a bit in the last year. I see very little possible happenings in the 1980s, but not the third world war."

Air Force Col. Howard Willis, D. I. S.—"I have a very positive attitude about the next decade. It will be filled with significant achievements and technological improvements that will be beneficial to all of us."



Mr. Terry Ginocchio, Comptrollers' Office—"I think this administration is going to have to deal with the current energy problems. I think more decisive action is going to have to be made by the White House and Congress."

Pvt. Dayleen Harding, 170th MP Co.—"Probably a war with Iran. It's not going to be a peaceful decade, I know that for a fact. Everything that's going on now is bound to lead to something disastrous."



SP5 Alberto Marin, Legal Office—"Energy problems will worsen, and the cost of living will go higher. The situation with the gas is going to be terrible. But what I'm really looking forward to in the 80s is to leave Presidio."

Reader Opinion

Dear Editor,

I feel the **Star Presidian** was very **unjust** in its stories on the FTX at Fort Hunter-Leggitt.

I'm from the 864th Engineer Battalion and think it is nice that people could read about the MPs, but give us a break. We were out there that same week and we made attacks on the MPs and no one here knows it.

I would like some recognition of this fact.

Unsatisfied Reader

Dear Unsatisfied Reader,

Two stories were printed on the FTX. The first which appeared in the Dec. 7, **Star Presidian** dealt with the arrival of the 209th MP Company from Fort Meade. In the article we stated, "While the Fort Meade MPs are here, the 504th MP Battalion as well as the post's engineer units are at Fort Hunter-Leggitt for their own special training."

The second article was a photo of a group of soldiers in an attack formation. Since no unit was identified,

the term 504th MP Battalion was used to describe where the soldiers were from. The battalion consists not only of HHD, 504th MP Battalion, the 163rd MP Co., and the 170th MP Co., but also of the 51st Engineer Detachment, Co. D, 864th Engineer Battalion, and the 16th AG Detachment.

We, on the **Star Presidian**, realize that having engineer and AG units in the MP Battalion is often confusing and really doesn't give the engineers the recognition they deserve when they participate in joint projects. So, when possible, we try to point out that other units besides MPs participate in 504th activities.

If you felt we overlooked your unit we apologize, it was not intentional.

You can help us in the future by giving us a call if you know of interesting stories involving your unit or the soldiers in it. This is your newspaper and we try to print the news you want to read.

The Editor

Make his dream reality

One of my fondest memories of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is of him standing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial reciting his now famous "I Have A Dream" speech.

Although I was really too young to comprehend all that was going on, I remember asking myself, why is this man hated?

His speech was so eloquent. His manner so peaceful. His dedication so deep.

Little did we know that just five short years after that speech Dr. King would be shot down just like the man whose solemn image looked over his shoulder that day.

Martin Luther King and Abe Lincoln both believed in equality for all man, regardless of color. Both men gave their lives dedicated to that cause.

Will it take another senseless act of violence before we realize that all Americans are equal regardless of their color, religion, sex, nationality and age?

A song of the early 1970s contained the line, "It seems the good they die young." How true of Dr. King.

Born on Jan. 15, 1929, Dr. King grew up to become a minister. He first mobilized the Black community in the late 1950's by leading a 382 day boycott of the Montgomery, Ala. bus lines.

In 1957, he organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and was elected its President. Through this group he sought to assist other communities in the organization of protest campaigns against discrimination.

Dr. King sought the peaceful protest of injustice, but was often subjected to violent acts, arrested and harrassed. Not even his home was safe from the violent acts of others.

In 1963, Time magazine chose Dr. King as their Man of the Year and in 1964, he won the Noble Peace Prize.

In April, 1968 Dr. King was killed in the prime of his life. But the movement he founded and lead did not die on that day.

As we pause this Jan. 15, to celebrate the fact that Dr. King lived, let's reflect upon his words in 1963 at the Lincoln Memorial, "I say to you today, my friends, even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, **I still have a dream**. It is a dream deeply rooted in the **American dream**. **I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up, live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."**

Let's make his dream our reality.
The Editor

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Lawyers recover Army dollars

The largest medical care cost recovery action in the memory of the Presidio has been settled, according to Capt. Vivian Weisner, Presidio claims officer in the post Judge Advocate's Office.

"We were able to recover the full \$41,053.73 that the Army expended in medical care following the accident," Weisner continued. "The Army's portion was part of a more than \$1 million settlement."

The action started in 1976 and involved a soldier and his brother, a member of the Marine Corps, who were traveling in a private airplane which crashed.

The investigation into the circumstances behind the accident showed that the aircraft went down as the result of mechanical defects. These circumstances led to the negligence suit

and the eventual settlement against the aircraft manufacturer.

The injured party suffered broken ribs, partial paralysis and various other physical and mental afflictions as a result of the accident. The individual was eventually discharged from the Army for medical reasons in 1977.

This recovery of thousands of dollars is a vital part of the Army's legal system. Under the provisions of the federal Medical Care Recovery Act, the Army is empowered to recover costs for in-service medical care when that care was the result of the negligence of non-military individuals or organizations. According to Weisner, the procedure involves working with the private lawyer engaged by the injured party. "We have the civilian attorney add the govern-

ment's claim for reimbursement onto the plaintiff's compensatory damages action against the person or persons causing the injury. Most lawyers see this combined approach as making a total settlement easier by limiting the number of actions and parties involved," concluded Weisner.

The Presidio is responsible for medical claims and recovery actions for all of northern California. These claims involve all active duty and retired personnel, their dependents and reserve component personnel who are injured while on duty.

"The claims office here handles anywhere from 100 to 150 cases a year," says Weisner. "This settlement of \$41,000 represents approximately half of what we would normally recover during the course of a year."

LAMC soldier selected for post honors

by Tom Donaghy

You could say that Sp5 Sam Hillhouse has been around.

"Since I've been in the Army I've spent time in field artillery, as a chaplains' assistant, and worked in the medical field. I just want to get a full spectrum of the Army. . . I don't want to be confined," explains Hillhouse, the Presidio Soldier of the Month for December.

Hillhouse, who was also Lettermans' Soldier of the Month for November, has been in the Army five years and intends to make it a career. He has applied for a commission in Health Care Administration and hopes to receive it soon.

"I'm really pleased," said Hillhouse. "When I arrived here in March I met the Soldier of the Year and he greatly impressed me with his appearance."

"I could tell the officers and NCOs respected those individuals who were selected, and I knew I had as much of a chance as the rest of the competitors."

"But there was this one MP going around before the announcement was made offering his condolences to everyone, even me," Hillhouse pointed out.

Hillhouse is LAMCs commanding generals' staff driver. His tasks include setting up the pictures, award ceremonies, taking care of the flags,

and almost every detail—involving the general.

"I'm more than just a driver. I take care of almost everything," said Hillhouse.

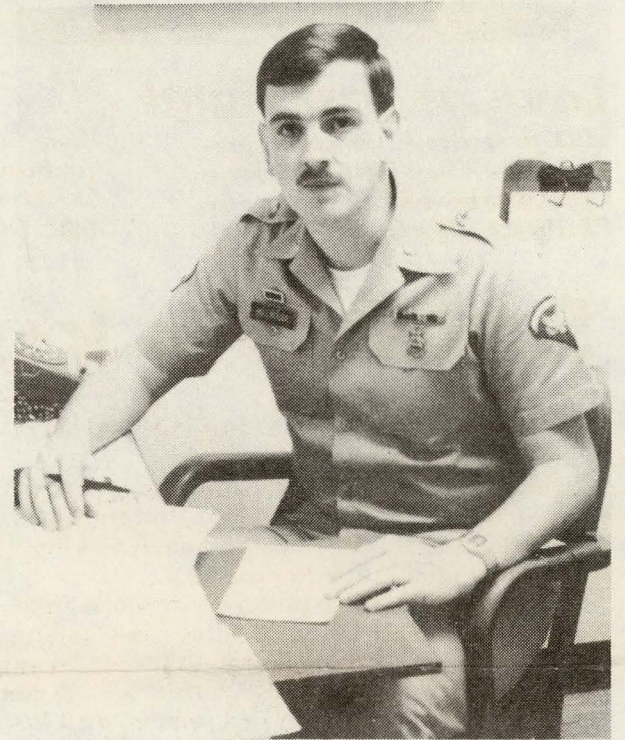
Upon entering the Army, Hillhouse had a degree in history from Bethany-Nazarene College, in Bethany, Okla. When he entered the Enlisted Chaplain's School at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., he found out about Army correspondence courses and completed 100 hours before leaving AIT.

At Fort Sill, Okla., where Hillhouse worked as the NCOIC of the main post chapel, he completed his Masters degree in education. He also completed more correspondence courses.

While stationed in Korea, Hillhouse worked as a drug and alcohol counselor. During his stay there he completed courses in human relations, human affairs, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, and equal opportunity.

Over all, including his stay at Presidio, Hillhouse has amassed more than 800 hours in correspondence courses, and is planning on going after a second masters degree in Health Care Administration.

"As long as I'm in the Army I plan on continuing my education. Every time I pick up a new course I realize that it's taking me one step closer to my objective of being a health care administrator. And that's what I want," concluded Hillhouse.



Top soldier

SP5 Samuel Hillhouse, the post Soldier of the Month.

Three MOS added to BEAR reenlistment program

Three more MOS have been added to the bonus extension and retraining (Bear) program. According to SFC John Hayes, Presidio's reenlistment NCO.

MOS 55D, explosive ordnance disposal specialist is now available, but only to E-3's and E-4's with between 21 months and six years active service states Hayes.

Soldiers with between 21 months and six years active service are also eligible for retraining as an Air Defense Command and Control System Operation Repairer according to Hayes.

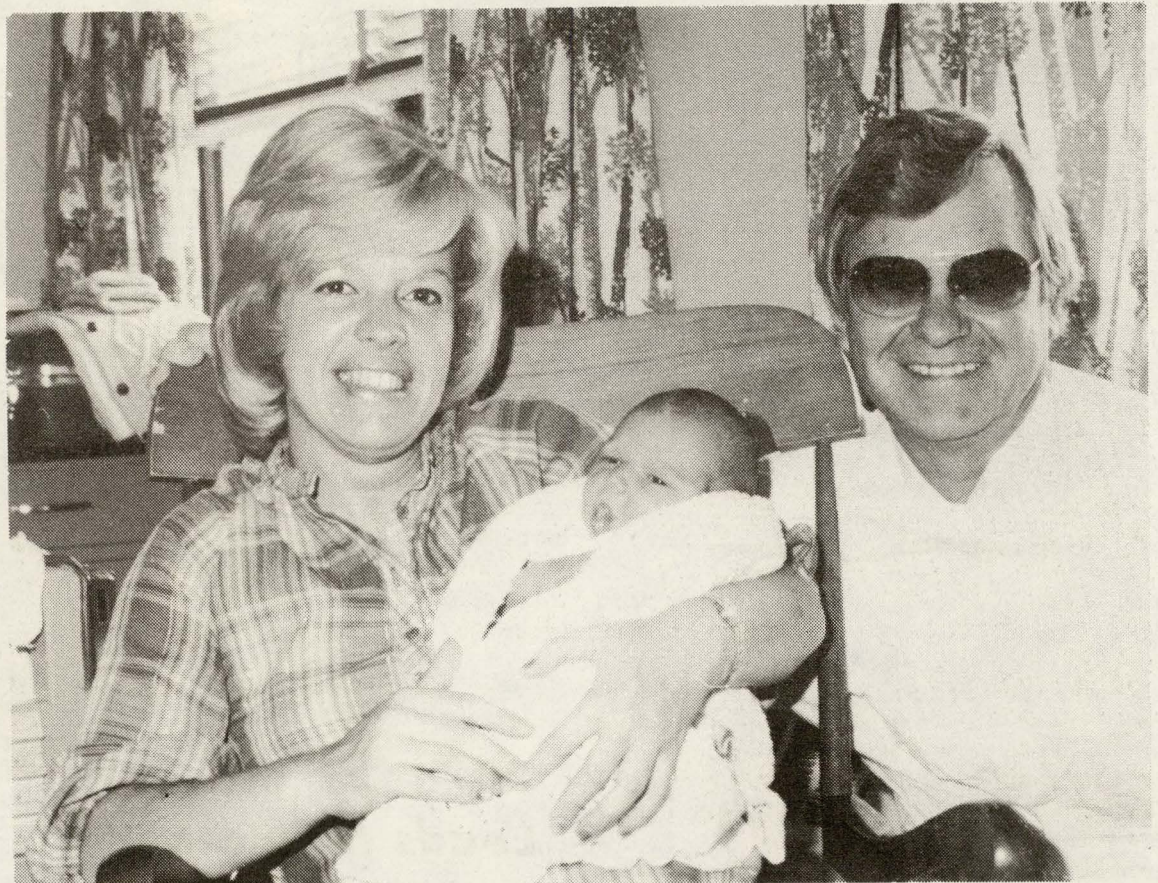
The Electronic Warfare Synal Intelligence Noncommunications Interceptor MOS is now open to soldiers with between 21 months and ten years service.

"The Bear program," explains Hayes, allows soldiers in overstrength or balanced MOS to extend for retraining in a shortage MOS and, upon reenlistment, receive a selective reenlistment bonus (SRB).

"Any interested soldier should give me a call at 561-3108," concluded Hayes.

Scott Charles Dobroski is year's first arrival

Scott Charles Dobroski, shown here with mom and dad, is not rich, hasn't attended Harvard or won a Pulitzer Prize, isn't a celebrity, and really hasn't done much to change the world condition. But there is something notable about Scott Charles: he was the first baby born in 1980 on the Presidio. Scott Charles entered the world on New Years day at 5:45 a.m. in the delivery room at LAMC. His father, Air Force Staff Sgt. (Ret) Ronald Dobroski, and mother Nancy live in Mill Valley. They took their nine-pound, eight-ounce child home on January 4. Kimberly Dale is a week older than Scott, and she has a special birthday too. She was born at LAMC Christmas day at 12:36 p.m. Kimberly and her father, Sgt. Cleveland Dale, of the 170th MP Company, and mother Lorena, live on post.

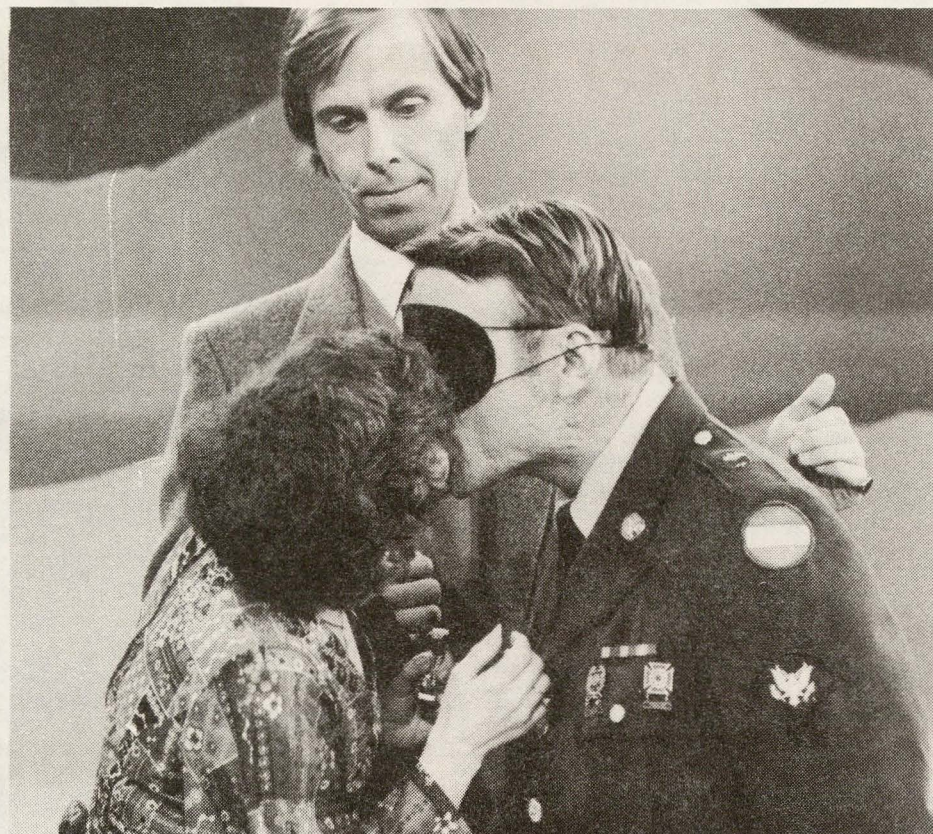




Love at first sight!

SPO host Steve Jamison prepares SP4 Gary Philbrick for a kiss from his wife, who Philbrick thinks is a model.

Moments later Gary removed the blindfold to see his special Christmas present. (Photo by John Green)



One thing. . .

Rachel and Gary Philbrick kiss on local television in a surprise reunion. The show's host Steve Jamison told Gary that we would be participating

in a lipstick taste. Within seconds the soldier removed the blindfold to find his wife standing before him. (Photo by John Green)

Soldier's kiss leads to family

The Christmas season was looking very bleak for Sp4 Gary Philbrick.

It has been almost a year since the specialist had seen his wife and two children. Philbrick who is from Belfast, Maine, had been unable to afford to bring his family to San Francisco.

A week before Christmas, Steve Ober from Channel 4, KRON-TV called the post public affairs office with a brain storm. In the tradition of "Truth or Consequences" and "It Could Be You," Steve wanted to reunite a soldier with his wife, as a surprise for Christmas.

1st Lt. Benjamin Agustin, Executive Officer for Headquarters Company, USAG, was contacted to recommend a soldier for this project. With the assistance of many USAG orderly room personnel, Philbrick was selected.

The Public Affairs office was also told that Philbrick had two children and that he was eligible for on-post quarters. With this in mind, SSgt. Ted Elisee of PAO then embarked on a spree to find the additional money to bring the entire family on a one way trip.

The Letterman Women's Club, through the cooperation of Mrs. Edna Florant, provided two hundred dollars to help bring Philbrick's family to the Presidio.

The Channel 4 staff made arrangements to fly the family here and to put them up at a local hotel at Union Square. With all the arrangements made, Steve Ober of Channel 4 called Mrs. Rachel Philbrick to announce her pending reunion with her husband.

"I thought the whole thing was a hoax. I'm old enough to remember 'Truth or Consequences' doing this type of thing, but I really didn't believe this was happening to us," commented Mrs. Philbrick.

Shortly after the television station call, Ted called Mrs. Philbrick to confirm the previous call. But she was still doubtful.

Finally, realizing the whole plan was real, she called her mother-in-law and her best friend to help her begin packing for the trip. "I had so much to do in such a short time. I really didn't know how I did it, but I'm glad I did," she added.

The process of getting Gary to go to the television studio was no small task.

SSgt. Claude Kelly, Operations Sergeant, at HQ Co. USAG was tasked to provide seven soldiers to go to the studio. From that seven, three were to be picked to appear on the SFO program which airs every Saturday night. None of the seven soldiers knew what the show was about, or why they were to appear.

Finally, the taping of the reunion was at hand. The studio audience was warned in advance of the pending reunion while Specialist Philbrick was backstage blindfolded and had his ears muffled with headphones.

Steve Jamison, the show host, brought Philbrick on stage and introduced him to two models. He was told he was going to take part in a

lipstick tasting test in which the two models were to kiss him. With a smile, Gary agreed to the experiment.

As he was being blindfolded—Rachel took the place of the two models.

Said Rachel, "I may have appeared calm, but I wasn't. Also, I had lived up to my promise of not contacting Gary and telling him that I was here." She added, "I still wonder whether he was disappointed about not kissing the two models."

After the test, Philbrick was asked to raise his

blindfold and what to his wondering eyes should appear but his wife. "I couldn't believe what I saw," exclaimed the USAG cook. "I knew she didn't belong in front of me. I was excited, but also confused."

Rachel added, "I was very happy to be with him again."

As the couple embraced, tears started rolling down Rachel's face. Gary got another surprise as

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Leads to another

Gary and Rachel Philbrick embrace during their reunion on Channel 4's SFO program.

Steve Jamison, the shows host shares in the joy and the surprise of the moment

Changes ahead for Presidio

by Tom Tiernan

The start of a New Year always seems to bring hope for the future, but just a month ago the Presidio's future was clouded with uncertainty.

This week I talked with Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, about the closure study and the Presidio in the 1980s.

"The value of any Army installation is measured by its ability to support combat readiness," points out all. "The reason the Presidio was examined for possible closing," he continued, "was simply because of the ratio of the number of soldiers supported versus the amount of money spent by the installation."

"Any small installation that is a headquarters and is involved in reserve support, like the Presidio, looks bad when this ratio of active duty soldiers to installation dollars is studied," Hall added.

The commander said he felt that ratio alone just isn't adequate to measure the value of the Presidio to the Army and feels the DA realized this in making their decision to retain the post.

When I ask him what helped save the post, Hall stated, "I think there were three roles of the Presidio which influenced the decision in our favor."

"First there's the tremendous importance the Presidio plays to the Reserve Components in 15 western states. **We provide direct support to these units and Headquarters Sixth Army.**"

"Secondly, we need to maintain a positive Army presence before the four and a half million people in the Bay Area. I think we do that very well.

"The final role we play, but which we tend to overlook, is that **in the event of mobilization the Presidio will provide resources to active and reserve units** getting ready to deploy overseas."

Hall said he felt that these missions couldn't be measured when one asks only at the ratio of uniforms supported.

Soldiers and civilians can help insure the Presidio's future, he said, by being "hard nosed" in their efforts to improve the post's efficiency in accomplishing its missions.

Hall had some good news for enlisted soldiers who pull guard duty.

Although he was careful not to be too optimistic, Hall stated there was **"a real good chance of hiring a civilian firm to provide security at the central magazine, but it is a matter of money."**

Finding the money is the big, "if" in the situation. Since no funds were requested in the FY 80 budget, the post has asked FORSCOM to try and find the money. "Since contracting the guard requirement will help training, we are hoping for favorable action on our request," points out Hall.

Hall explained that those post units facing **personnel shortages should get used to the situation.** Currently, FORSCOM is 25,000 soldiers short of its authorized level. "This," is being done to keep units in Europe up to strength."

"The 504th will stay shorthanded and we are going to have to continue to do all we can to improve the training of these units while they continue their post support functions without all the soldiers they are authorized," Hall commented.

Two newly revealed programs involving active and reserve units may have an affect upon post units, according to Hall.

One program, CAPSTONE, Will link Reserve and Army National Guard divisions and brigades with active Army units for training and even in the event of mobilization.

"CAPSTONE is realistic readiness planning," states Hall. "Only now has DA begun to match up the units so we are not sure how this will affect Presidio units. **The program will, however, affect summer training and our mobilization**

planning. Our training will be more realistic."

I ask the commander of any post units would be involved in the new Rapid Deployment Force.

Hall points out that **any Presidio unit with a deployment mission could be involved in the force** depending upon the size of the force and to what part of the world it was being deployed.

"This means," states Hall, "that our emergency deployment exercises are going to be more realistic particularly in those post activities which support these units. We can't have the engineers, for example, working 24 hours a day to prepare to deploy and have the post transportation or supply people who support them working an eight hour day when the engineers need them."

While the Presidio is not directly in the business of recruiting members of the Individual Ready Reserve, which is 130,000 soldiers short, Hall feels we can assist in the recruiting drive.

"By maintaining a favorable public image we can influence how people feel about the Army. A clean, well run post, or a courteous MP writing a ticket, plus big events like Armed Forces Day, helps the Army lose the Sgt. Bilko image," Hall explained.

The commander told me he views his most important role as giving direction and support. **"Being a post commander is kind of like sort-**

ing out worms in a can and trying to get them all lined up. I basically believe that people want to do their jobs well. My job is to provide them with the resources they need and to give direction and support to their efforts."

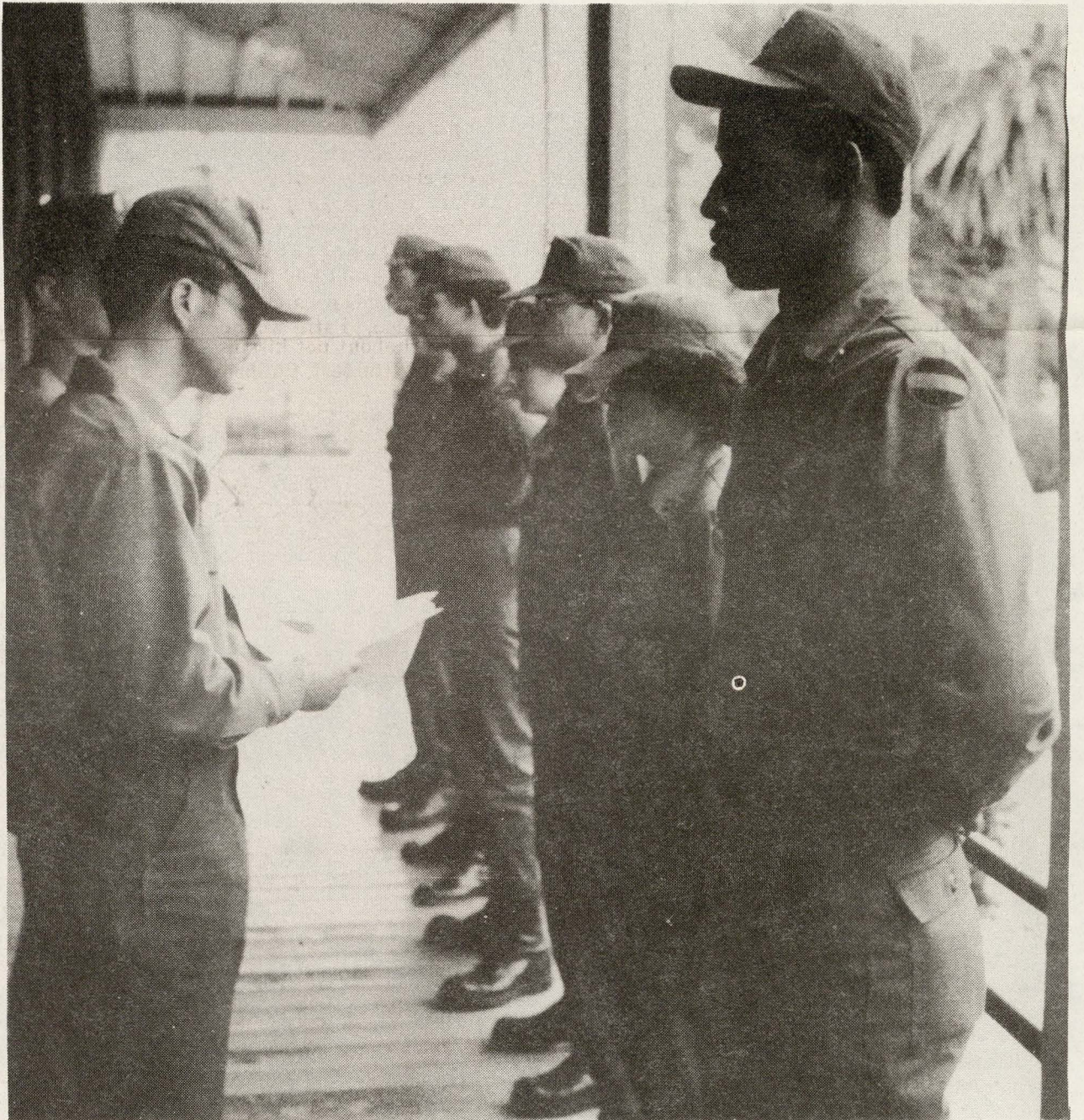
Improving the quality of life on the Presidio has been one of Hall's goals since he assumed command in June 1979. **"We clearly need more modern barracks.** Building those barracks, however, takes Congressional approval and we cannot expect that until FY 83. this is our most compelling need to improve life on post."

Commanders and their soldiers can improve communications between them by asking themselves if they are being reasonable, says Hall.

"I've been around awhile and this business of communications bothers me. **So many problems are blamed on poor communication when in fact people are being unreasonable,"** Hall explained.

"I know it is hard, but people just have to ask themselves: Am I being reasonable? I think that's the answer to a lot of our problems," Hall commented.

In concluding the interview, Hall told me his goal for the Presidio in the coming year is to see the post more widely recognized in the Bay Area as a place where the Army does things right, to improve and protect the beauty of the post and to "get those barracks."



Guard mount

SSgt. John Timm, HQ Co. USAG, inspects the central magazine guard at the start of their 24 hour shift. Guard mount may become a

thing of the past if FORSCOM approves the money needed to hire a civilian firm to provide security at the magazine.

Kiss

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his children came running to him across the stage.

Two days after the happy event, Channel 4 aired the reunion. People all over the Bay Area saw the replay of the happenings, and of course the Philbrick's watched it too. The response to the human interest story was so great that Ober of Channel 4 recontacted the family and asked

them to make a return appearance on the show.

Ober had related to the Philbricks that of all the segments that had appeared on SFO, their particular segment had gotten the most attention ever. So, Gary, Rachel, Lynn and Lori agreed to come back to the studio for another taping.

The Philbricks life has obviously changed. For one, they now have government quarters and are living at Fort Baker. Said Gary, "One thing is for sure—I have a much better looking roommate."

The children are in school again, and Rachel

has gotten used to the idea of riding on the back of her husbands motorcycle.

In closing, Rachel and Gary said, "We know that so many people have been involved in our reunion, and we really appreciate all that they have done for us. This could never have been possible on our own, especially at Christmas time. We wish to thank everyone who worked on this project, especially Channel 4, and the Letterman Women's club who provided the money to bring us back together."

King, a man for all people

by Pete Britten

January 15, 1980 is the birthday of a great American who had unselfish dreams for his country. This date is significant because it commemorates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Born in Atlanta, Georgia in 1929, Dr. King attended public schools there and later Morehouse College in 1948. He continued his education in the field of religion and was graduated from Crozer Theological Seminary in 1951. He earned his doctorate in 1955 from Boston University.

Dr. King served as Pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala. and as president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He was also president of the Montgomery Improvement Association. In these capacities, he was continuously an involved, active spiritual and civil rights leader.

This humble leader distinguished himself by service to other people through love, human outreach and advocating nonviolence. His philosophy of life and pilgrimage for social change were rooted in the Christian ethic.

The crowning moment of his dedicated life came on August 28, 1963 when he delivered his historic "I Have A Dream" message to throngs of Americans of every color and creed in our nation's capital. Highlights of his famous message focused on brotherhood, humanity and togetherness. The climax of his speech echoed freedom when he said:

"When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual: Free at

last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last."

His dreams were broad and deep with vision because Dr. King embraced hope for a better world based on unity and love. In his book **Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community**, he placed a spotlight on his vision for people in a chapter entitled "The World House" of togetherness and a "person oriented" society.

Dr. King stated, "We have inherited a large house, a great 'world house' in which we have to live together—black and white, easterner and westerner, Gentile and Jew, Catholic and Protestant, Moselm and Hindu."

Dr. King described a "world house" as a hope for creative living and choice for mankind between chaos and community. He called for order and peace through a spiritual and moral reawakening. His optimism envisioned the concern of the rich for the agony of the poor and underscored the reminder that "we are inevitably our brother's keeper."

"This call for world-wide fellowship that lifts neighborly concern beyond one's tribe, race, class and nation is in reality a call for an all embracing and unconditional love for all men. This often misunderstood and misinterpreted concept has now become an absolute necessity for the survival of man. When I speak of love, I am speaking of that force which all the great religions have seen as the supreme unifying principle of life. Love is the key that unlocks the door which leads to ultimate reality," summarized King.

Since April 4, 1968 when the 39-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner was killed in Memphis, Tennessee, Americans have paid tribute to Dr. King's life and honored his memory. His life is summarized by a tribute given by his wife Coretta Scott King:

"Martin Luther King was a man for all people. The villains of the dream could end his mortal

existence with a single bullet, but not all the bullets in the arsenals can effect his death. We will not have to search for him. Listen for him in the protests of the poor... Look for him in the places where social evils are non-violently resisted by proud, brave people. Listen for him in the ever increasing chorus of committed individuals. Remember him as a man who tried to be a drum major for justice, drum major, for peace, a drum major for righteousness. Remember him as a man who refused to lose faith in the ultimate redemption of mankind."



Lieutenant to make debut at PSF Playhouse

by Tom Donaghy

"Romance, Romp, and Reverie," a musical review, will make its presidio debut tonight at the Presidio Playhouse.

The review, a collection of old and new Broadway tunes, will feature many accomplished artists, including 1st Lt. Sandy Efseaff, physical therapy specialist at LAMC.

Efseaff will be stepping out with the troupe, singing soprano. Her past stage credits are varied, and some of her past work includes singing in "Guys and Dolls," "Anything Goes," and "The Gondoliers" with the "Lamplighters." She has also played Kim in "Bye Bye Birdie," Lady Larken in "Once Upon A Mattress," and Zaneeta in "The Music Man."

"I've always enjoyed music and getting on the stage. I enjoy getting together with a group of people who work well together and can give the audience a fun evening," said Efseaff.

The cast also stars:

Nancy Atkins, who has appeared in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"; "Oliver," "Fiddler on the roof," among others;

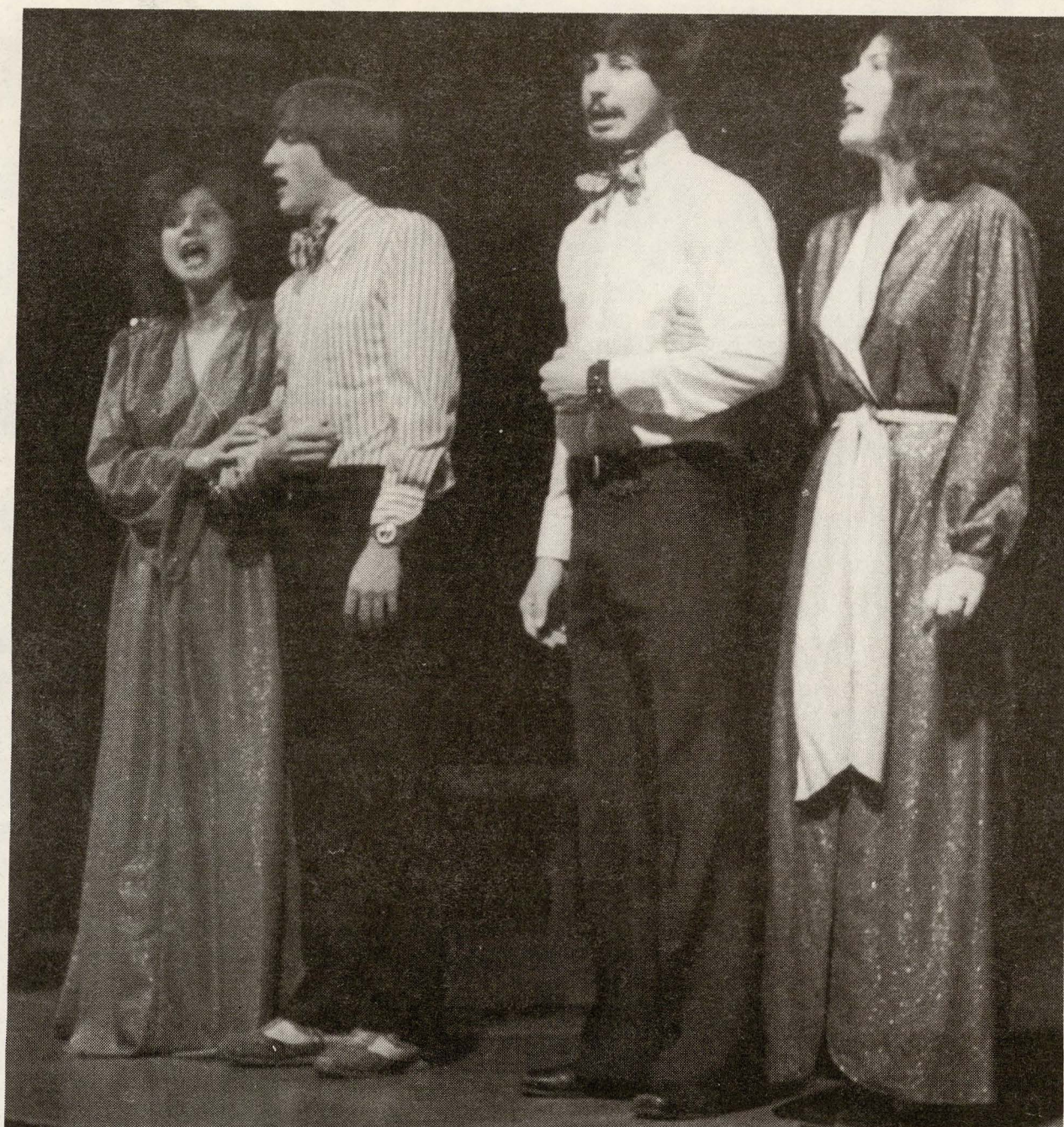
Bradd Wong, who played in "Godspell," "The Music Man," "Oh Coward," and "Mame"; and

Tim Carter, whose stage credits include "Carousel" and "Bye Bye Birdie."

Efseaff says that "It's good to get people together who enjoy music and all of us really like it. We're glad to be able to do this for Presidio, and I hope people come out and join us."

The show will start tonight at 8 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse. Other shows will be January 12 and 18 at the Playhouse at 8 p.m., and on January 20th there will be a 2 p.m. matinee. Admission is free.

"Romance, Romp, and Reverie" will also play in San Francisco at the "Jacques" Theater downtown for four weeks in April. The times and dates of these shows will be announced.



The sound of music

1st Lt. Sandy Efseaff, (far left,) and John Coons, rehearse their part in a Broadway tune from "West Side Story". The Presidio Playhouse presents the troupe which includes Tom

Carter and Nancy Atkins, for four shows, beginning tonight. The show features old and new Broadway hits. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Sports

Sixth Army wins b-ball tourney

The Christmas Basketball Tournament came to a conclusion with Sixth Army taking the trophy defeating the 170th MP Co. 59-51.

The 170th got into the finals by stealing a USAG No. 2 pass with ten seconds left in the game, and setting up a six foot Leftwich's jump shot at the buzzer.

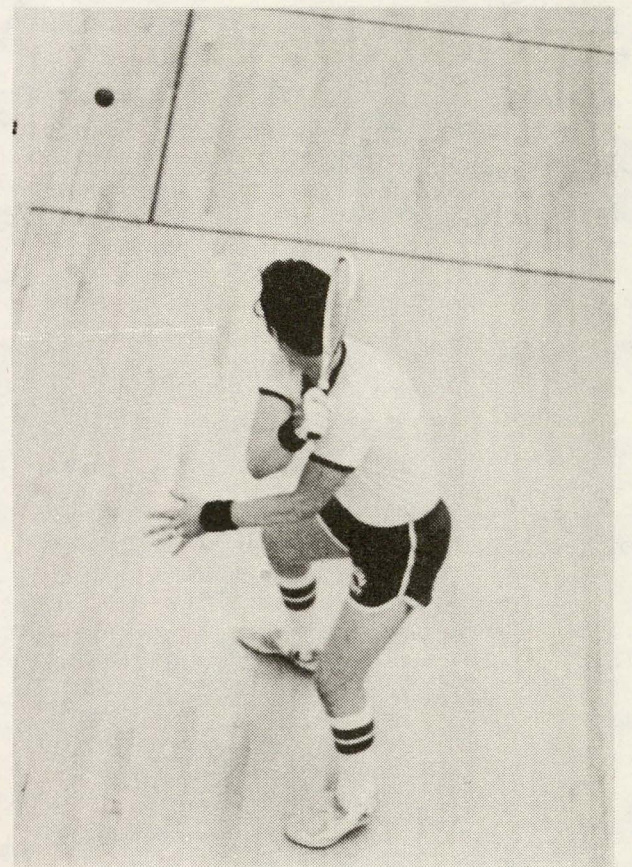
Both teams played a controlled offense and a scrappy defense. Outstanding efforts were by Sixth Army's Gary Winton and 170th MP Co's Ed Leftwich, who both put on a dazzling display of scoring and defensive efforts.

In the first championship game the favored Sixth Army jumped to an early ten point lead, but saw it disappear as soon as the 170th got

warmed up. The MPs behind Leftwich's hot hand and game high 24 points eventually put on a strong enough rally to win 48-41. Winton scored 20 points in the losing cause.

Going into the "if game" of the double elimination tournament, with each team having lost one game, the plan for each team was to get the ball to either sixth Army's Winton or the 170th Leftwich, don't make any mistakes and play good defense.

Both teams played as expected, but the rebounding of O. B. McCane and the inside scoring clinic by Winton proved insurmountable for Leftwich and company, resulting in a 59-51 decision for Sixth Army.



Follow the ball

Bill James and Bob Horn battle it out for the post racquetball crown during the recent post tourney. James emerged the victor in an upset win. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Rockets edge spurs in DYA opener

Presidio's Dependant Youth Basketball League played its season opener Tuesday with the Rockets nudging the Spurs 20-18 in overtime.

Cornell Johnson, scored the only two overtime points, lifting the Rockets to victory in the closely fought cager match-up.

There was little scoring the entire game. The biggest burst of points came in the first quarter when both teams netted 8 tallies.

It was a close game throughout, with the score knotted 10-10 at the half. After three quarters it stood at 16-14 in favor of the Rockets, and 18-all at the end of regulation play.

The youths play four six-minute quarters, and

three-minutes for each overtime period.

The Youth Basketball League commissioner, Jeff Fluornoy, was on hand for the opening game, saying, "The kids, you can tell, really like playing the game. They have alot of fun, and it gives them a chance to play competitively in a friendly environment. But believe me, they take basketball seriously. Each one of them out there on the court are as serious about winning as they can be."

Jeff Tony, of the turned back Spurs, was the high scorer of the game with ten points. **Johnson** and **Mike Michelhoff** both chipped in eight baskets for the victors.

Fun Run planned over 2 mile course

The next fun run race will be held on Jan. 16 beginning at noon at Post Gym No. 1 (Bldg. No. 63). This month's race will be two miles in length over a two lap course. It is a scenic and basically flat course with two minor hills. All levels of runners are invited to participate in this event. Signups take place starting at 11:30 a.m. on the day of the race.

Four to battle for squash crown

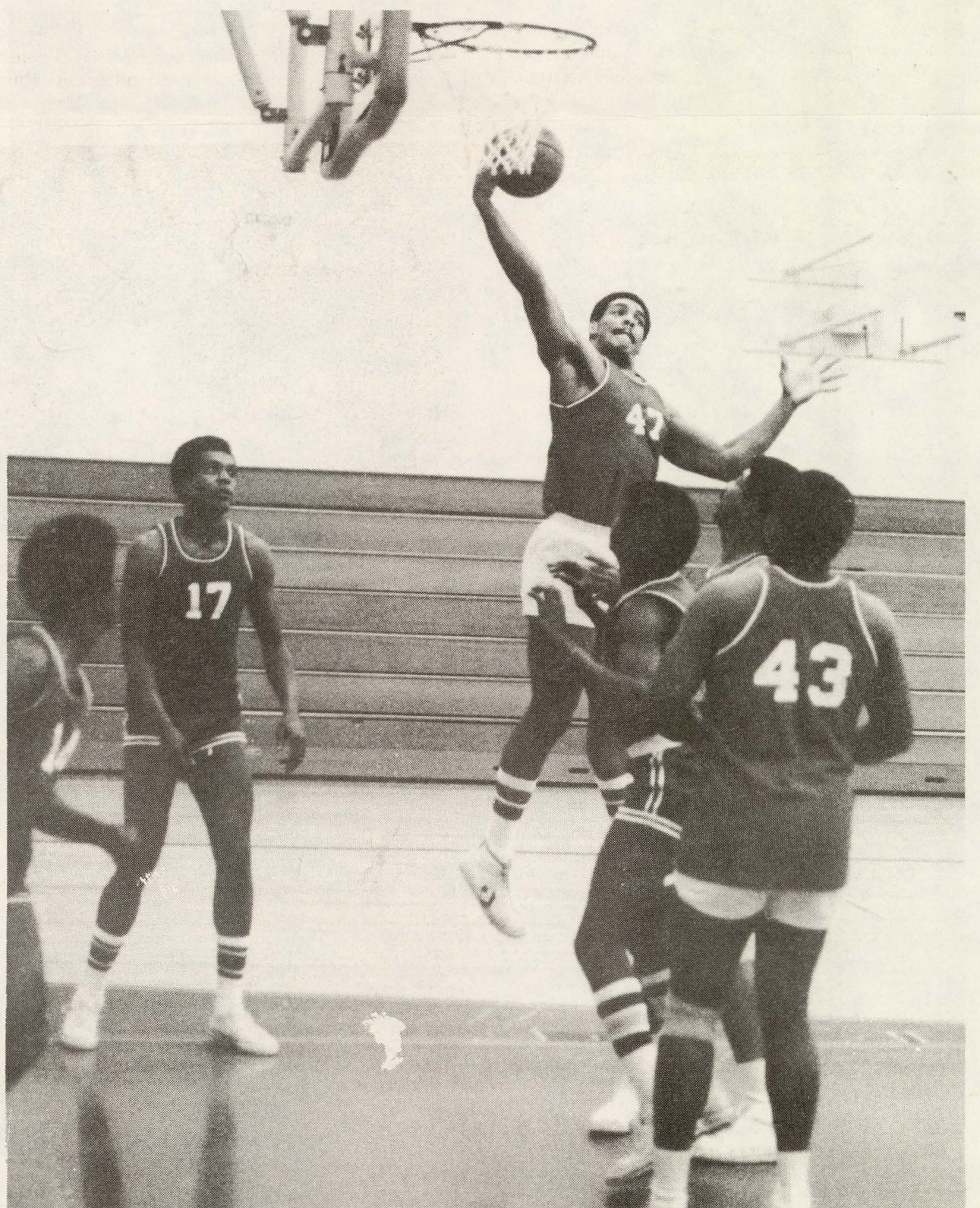
After two hours of intense competition Bill James emerged the victor over Bob Horn, 21-20 and 21-17 to wrap up the post racquetball crown. Both games were championship caliber, as both players had many fine rallies, placement shots, passing shots and kill shots.

In the first game it appeared that Horn would hold off the charging James, but he couldn't put the final point away. James came from behind, with a three point deficit, to win.

In the second game, the lead exchanged hands several times before James broke a 16-16 deadlock by putting a rally together to win.

James edges Horn for post crown

After a month of fierce competition the finals of the post squash tournament are now underway, as survivors being Bob Horn, Micheal McConnell, Bill James, and Joseph Egan prepare to battle it out. The first round of action has Horn facing off with Egan and James takes on McConnell. Defending champ Horn is favored to win this hard fought contest.



I got it

Sixth Army's Gary Winton grabs a rebound during action against the 170th MP Co. Sixth

Army downed the MPs to take the post Christmas Basketball Tourney.

Presidio News Notes

NCO-EM club open

Disco with "Doc Webb and Company" is the order of the evening every **Thursday from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.** at the NCO/EM Club.

Rock Disco makes the scene on **Fridays from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.**

All Night Disco fills **Saturday evening from 10 p.m. til 5 a.m.** "Doc Webb and Company" plus the sounds of "Kickback", a nine piece band provide the music. There's a \$2 cover charge.

Gym class set

A Dependent Youth Activities gymnastics class will be offered by Morale Support Activities DYA Branch for youngsters age four through 19 beginning Jan. 21 at Post Gym No. 1. The hour class will meet every Monday, Wednesday, or Friday until Feb. 29. Cost will be \$12 per student for

the entire 6-week course. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. Girls should wear leotards and slippers; boys should wear shorts and tennis shoes. Registration fees will be accepted at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the DYA Office, 561-5143.

Club seeks members

Presidio Toastmasters is entering its 21st year as an organized club here on Presidio. The purpose of the club is to learn the art of public speaking in an atmosphere of mutual concern and support. The club meets every other Thursday from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the NCO/EM Club, in Bldg. 135. The Club will meet this month on Jan. 17 and 31. Membership is opened to all adults. For more information contact Claire Manhart at 561-2974, or Henrietta Wiley 561-2974.

King services set

A series of ceremonies to mark the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. have been set for Jan. 15.

A **memorial breakfast** in the USAG, 504th MP Battalion and 864th Engineer dining facilities will get the day long observance underway at 7 a.m.

Over at LAMC a **prayer breakfast** will be held in the Mitchell Dining Facility at 7:15 a.m. Mr. **Ernest Frazier**, director of Equal Employment Opportunity for ITT in the Western United States and a retired military chaplain will be the guest speaker for the event.

A special program to mark Dr. King's birthday will be held in the post theater beginning at 11 p.m.

The **Rev. Phillip C. Lawson**, Deputy Administrator, Office of Employment and Community Programs for the City of Berkeley will be the **keynote speaker** for the service.

Lawson is an ordained United Methodist Minister with a Masters of Divinity from the Methodist Theological School in Delaware, Ohio. In 1972, he was a Martin Luther King Fellow in Black Church Studies at the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School in Rochester New York. His studies have taken him to Nigeria, Ghana, Haiti and Jamaica.

Following the service the participants are asked to march together to the NCO/EM club where a special cultural lunch will be available for purchase.

Gym closed

Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63, will be closed Jan. 20 until approximately 1 p.m. hours, to conduct West Point Physical Examinations. Racquetball court reservations will be taken after 1 p.m. for that day.

O' Club events

Members of the **Presidio Officer's Club** will have the opportunity to show that important sergeant or secretary how much they appreciate them during **"Right Arm Night" Jan. 16 from 4:30-8 p.m.** in the Attic Lounge. Fry your own hamburgers, reduced drink prices and entertainment will be the order of the day.

One step process

The Civilian Personnel Office is now accepting applications for employment in certain pay grades and job skills through a new Special Examining Unit designed to cut delays obtaining employment on Presidio.

According to Bill Bayless of CPO, the special unit will test job seekers here instead of sending them downtown "where there is a long wait for referrals."

The jobs available include nursing, clerical workers, and laborers of pay grades one and two.

This program is open to all civilian dependants, retirees, handicapped, and disabled persons and veterans.

For more information contact CPO at 561-5732 during weekdays.

Movies

Presidio Theater

Sat. 12 Jan.—Sleeping Beauty (G)
Sun. 13 Jan.—When A Stranger Calls (R)
Mon. 14 Jan.—When A Stranger Calls (R)
Tue. 15 Jan.—Norma Rae (PG)
Wed. 16 Jan.—The Inheritance (R)
Thu. 17 Jan.—Magic (R)
Fri. 18 Jan.—Smokey And The Hotwire Gang
Sat. 19 Jan.—The 7th Voyage of Sinbad (G)

Schwartz, Letterman Theater

Mon. 14 Jan.—Heaven Can Wait (PG)
Tue. 15 Jan.—Meteor (PG)
Wed. 16 Jan.—City On Fire (R)
Thu. 17 Jan.—The Kids Are Alright (PG)
Fri. 18 Jan.—The Streetfighters Last Revenge



Photo of the Week

Photo photographer John Green caught this photo and submitted for the first Photo of the Week of 1980. The Star Presidian is sponsoring the weekly event for all photographers. If

you have a photo you'd like to submit, send it to the Public Affairs Office, Building 37. There's no prize for the winner and your photo will be returned.

Rains down trees & telephones

The latest series of rain storms hit the Presidio this week downing trees and disrupting telephone service.

At press time more than three inches of rain had fallen in a seven day period with more precipitation on the way.

According to Mr. Harold Wilson, of the post telephone repair office, some telephone service

has been disrupted because of wet cables.

"Overall, I'd say we were doing pretty good. Considering the age and condition of our cable we have really had few problems," explained Wilson.

Wilson cautions that as long as the rain continues Presidians can expect some problems," but added, "We are trying to be as responsive as possible to all outages and other problems."

More than 15 trees have been downed due to eroding soil according to officials at the Directorate of Facilities Engineers.

In addition, extensive damage can be done to lawns by driving vehicles onto the grass. The engineers explained that the ground is extremely soggy and cars being driven on this surface can cause major damage.

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Council to give soldiers a say

by Tom Tiernan

Residents of the Pershing Housing Area will soon have a say about life in their community.

According to Capt. William T. Taylor, adjutant for the 504th MP Battalion, the **Community Life Program** will give quarters occupants in the area around Fort Scott the opportunity to make their suggestions, complaints and comments known to involved post agencies as well as the post command.

"We've divided the quarters from 952 to 1782 into regions. Some regions consist of several neighborhoods," Taylor explained.

Each neighborhood will elect a chairman who will serve as a point of contact for the residence in his area. He'll take requests, complaints, and recommendations from his neighbors to a regional council.

"The neighborhood chairman are not there to arbitrate," points out Taylor. "They are to be contacted about problems which affect the neighborhood as a whole, not to settle arguments among neighbors."

The neighborhood chairman will meet and elect regional chairman who represent the neighborhoods on the Community Life Council.

The Community Life Council will include not only the regional chairmen, but also representatives of various Presidio agencies, the post Sergeant Major and commander. The council will discuss any problems, questions or comments forwarded from the neighborhoods.

"Although the various neighborhoods will be represented by their regional chairman, any resident is invited to attend any of the meetings," states Taylor.

"The success of this program depends upon the residence of these neighborhoods. This program is not so rigidly structured, it can be whatever people want it to be," commented Taylor.

Before the program gets underway, a survey will be taken of their residence to get their views on a number of subjects including individual interests and the structure of the council. Taylor expects the survey to be distributed around Feb. 1.

After the survey is distributed, teams from the 504th MP Battalion, which is sponsoring the program, will be coming around to the neighborhoods to explain the program and to find the neighborhood chairmen.

Once this process is completed, Taylor hopes the first council meeting would take place around March 1.

"After March 1, we hope to see people become really involved in their community," concluded Taylor.



The Community Life Program is for everyone, even these toddlers at the Presidio Nursery

playing on one of their many toys. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Military leads the way

Fund drive tops goal for 1979

Federal military and civilian employees donated more than \$1.3 million to the 1979 Combined Federal Campaign, according to figures released during the annual CFC awards luncheon held Wednesday at the Presidio Officers' Club.

The military services—Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard—contributed in excess of

\$555,000 with the balance coming from various civilian staffed agencies throughout the Bay Area.

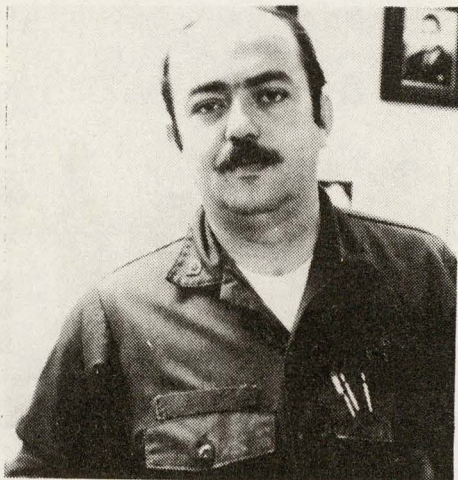
Guest speaker, Rita Channon, co-anchor for the KRON-TV news of San Francisco, commended all those who donated their time, effort and money in this campaign. The 1979 campaign

exceeded its pre-set goal of \$1.28 million.

Representatives of the three beneficiaries of the CFC—the United Way of the Bay area, the National Health Agencies and the International Service Agencies—were on hand to express their gratitude for the thoughtfulness of all who participated in the campaign.

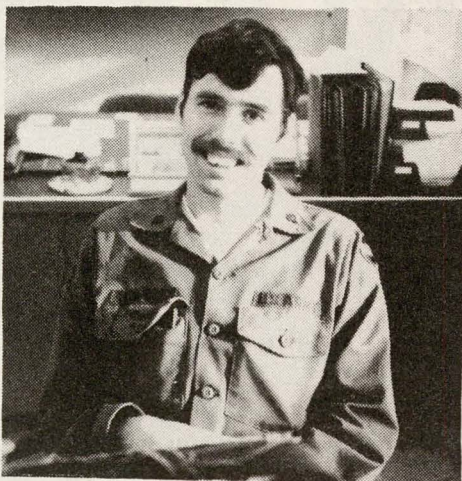
Ramblin' Sam

Who do you nominate for Man or Woman of the 1970s?



Sp4 Mike Gardner, EOD— "Ayatollah Khomeini. He's done more in the last year than anyone in the previous 10 to get our country pulling together. Patriotism is alive because of him, he struck a nerve."

Sp4 'Mel' Hinkle, COM-PACT— "Willie Nelson. He has really upgraded country music, started a whole new wave of interest in country sound. Or, Crystal Gale, I'm in love with her."

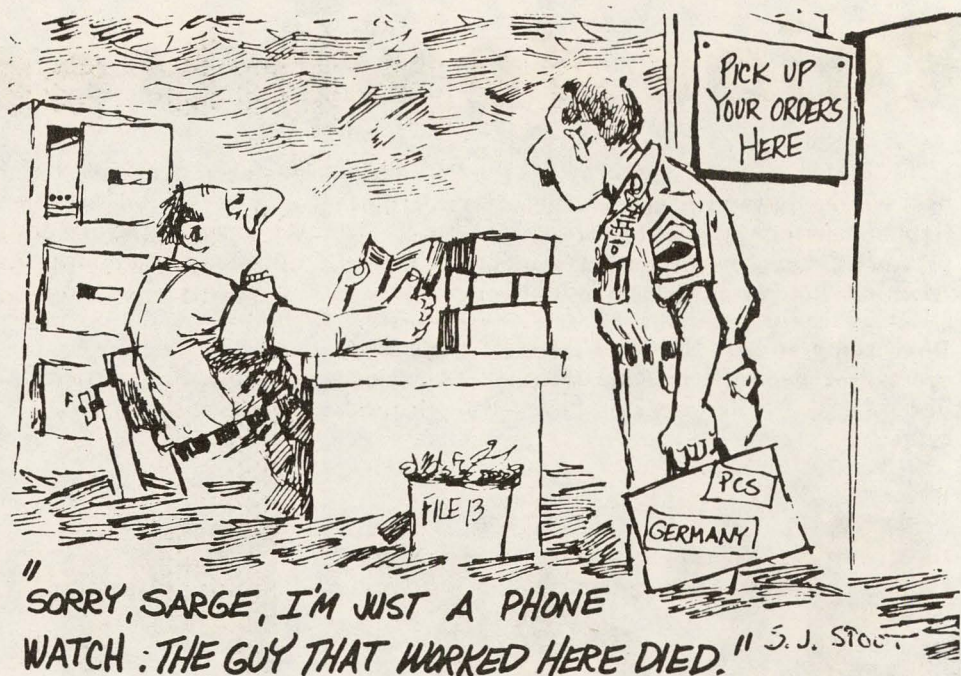


Maj. H. T. Linke, 6th Army PAO— "Richard Nixon. He was a creative force in international relations with China, the Soviet Union, and other powerful countries. And at the same time he gave us Watergate, and induced a general skepticism in our social institutions."

Mrs. Jean Ross, COM-PACT— "My grandmother, she's 79 and looks like she's 40. She sets a good example for me on how to live a good life, gives me good advice, and I love her."



Vivian Weissenburger, LAMC— "Betty Ford, because she fought with alcohol as well as a radical mastectomy. I think she was rather courageous, and set a good example by facing up to her problems."



Free advice

by Chaplain Robert Plociki

One doesn't have to go very far to get advice these days. The world is full of people, books, periodicals, radio and television programs, all geared to giving counsel or advice. How to succeed and how to solve life's puzzles are very popular items for the modern man.

The bottom line to all this advice is to try to give stability to life and living, and to develop a sense of "happiness." Make no mistakes, "happiness" is what all of us are seeking. Philosophers from Aristotle on tell us that mankind is trying each day of life to seek "happiness."

How can we be happy? This is the modern day popular question. One can debate the answers from now until doomsday and come up with different formulas. Here are three rules to keep in mind that could be a

definite help to you:

Try to accomplish a good deed each day. Extend a helping hand to someone in need. Try to do it quietly and without notice. Do it for the love of God and your fellowman.

Do something each day you do not particularly care doing just to practice discipline. This does not have to be an extreme act, just a little control of your will.

Try to adjust to the reality of life. Be ready to change and don't be afraid to endure the hardships that might be thrust upon you.

Are these three rules the magic formula for "happiness" alone? The answer is no, yet they can be a great help for self denial, and facing up to the truth. Loving God and our neighbor is the basic law that will fulfill God's will and can be a good formula for "happiness."

Action Line

Got a problem or question? Call the ACTION LINE at 5463.

Question: Why is it so difficult to buy parking permits? It seems that if we are required to buy them, they should make it as easy as possible to do so. I work for the Engineers and the permits are sold in the MP station. I made a special trip up there to get mine and was told that they were sold between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. If we are required to have them, why can't the MPs sell them all the time?

Answer: The 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. time frame was established to permit Headquarters Commandant office functions to get started on any given day and to allow the latest

possible turn-in to Finance and Accounting of those monies collected.

Parking permits are not sold by the MPs. Headquarters Commandant personnel make the sales. We try to adhere to the 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. time due to operational necessity. However, if an individual or group of individuals have a particular problem in coming in to make the purchase, it may be possible to make some prior arrangements by contacting this office.

Maj. William A. Vencill
Headquarters Commandant

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One-step job processing here

A new testing unit recently added to the Civilian Personnel office will now offer one-stop job processing to new applicants, according to Mr. Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel Officer.

Under the provisions of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, CPO has now set up its own special examining unit to shorten the time necessary to fill job vacancies and for applicants to get jobs.

"Prior to the addition of this unit," explained Reyes, "we weren't really an employment office, but a personnel office. We couldn't aim our recruiting at a specific audience, but had to go through the Civil Service Commission, which is now the Office of Personnel Management."

Under the old system, job seekers without the civil service test were sent to the Office of Personnel Management on Golden Gate Avenue for testing. Then the applicants' test was graded and he was given a rating.

Even after being rated, getting a job on the Presidio still took several weeks and was far from being guaranteed.

After testing and rating the job seeker's name was added to a register from which applicants are selected for available jobs. The individual's name is sent to the requesting agency which must then check to see if the applicant is still interested in a job.

If the job seeker is interested then his name is added to a referral list for possible selection.

With the special examining unit, the job seeker will be tested and rated right here and then be added to referral lists right away, states Reyes.

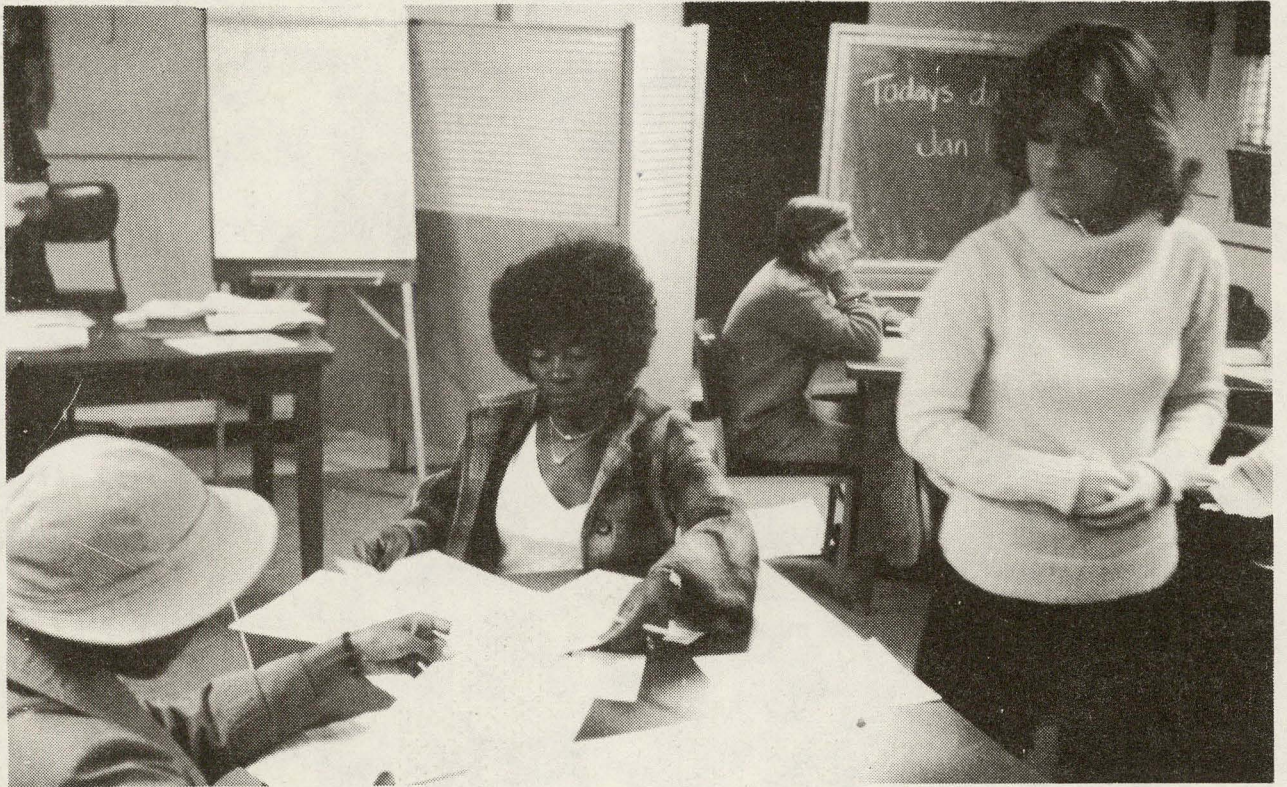
"As an example on Jan. 6 we ran an ad in Bay Area papers seeking applicants. On Jan. 7 we administered the test to two people and by the next day they were given their ratings and asked if they were interested in a job," Reyes pointed

out.

Although there are several hundred different types of jobs available on post, the examining unit will only be testing for 12 clerical and cleri-

cal support jobs.

"These 12 jobs," states Reyes, "represent over 25 percent of the Presidio workforce and are the jobs hardest to keep filled."



No cheating please

Jan Garcia of CPOs recruitment and placement office observes two of the 17 people who turned out to take the second civil service test

given here. The test will be given here regularly to make it more convenient for military dependants to get jobs.

Reenlistment rules eased for some

Soldiers who fail their skill qualification test (SQT) may still be eligible to reenlist under a change to the Army Reenlistment Program, according to SFC John Hayes, Presidio reenlistment NCO.

The interim change to AR 601-280, allows a soldier's commander to certify that the individual is "qualified for continued Army service," explained Hayes. Previously, a waiver was required for those soldiers to reenlist.

A second change to the regulation will permit the post commander to approve a four year reenlistment period for certain soldiers on overseas levy to a long tour area.

Reenlistments and extension criteria for soldiers enrolled in the alcohol and drug abuse prevention and control program (ADAPCP) will also be affected by the change.

If a soldier has successfully completed the ADAPCP, and is otherwise qualified, he may be allowed to reenlist or extend his enlistment with-

out a waiver under the change, Hayes says. There is no longer a minimum participation time in the follow-up program. The local medical authority, along with the unit commander, may determine when an individual has successfully completed the ADAPCP.

Hayes added that individuals needing additional service time to complete their enrollment in the ADAPCP may be extended for the number of months necessary.

Long-lost brothers reunited via phone

by Bob Mahoney

The start of any new year always brings the making of personal resolutions. Some are easily kept, some are much more difficult and some are simply forgotten.

One resolution for 1980 has already become a reality for Mr. Haworth S. Bray of El Granada, Ca. Bray had not been in contact with his half-brother since 1963. He vowed that 1980 was going to change that.

Although both Bray and his brother, Robert Reynolds, had grown up in southern California, they were raised in separate homes. Under those circumstances, they gradually drifted apart and

soon, correspondence between the two ended.

Bray knew that his brother was in the Army but had no idea where. On January 11, Bray was in San Francisco on business and decided to drop in at the Presidio to inquire as to how he might be able to find Robert. He walked into the Public Affairs Office and within 20 minutes, he was actually talking to his brother.

Mr. Pete Britten, chief of public information, assisted Bray in his search. "A few phone calls to various locator offices showed that Reynolds, now a staff sergeant, was assigned to the 140th Military Police Company at Fort Gordon, Ga.," according to Britten. "It wasn't hard to find him at all."

Bray expressed uneasiness when Britten handed him the phone. Bray said, "It had been so long since I spoke to him, this time I didn't know whether to call him sergeant or Bobby."

Reynolds is in the process of transferring to Fort McClellan, Ala. Bray says that "We're making plans to see each other as soon as possible. You know, I've been meaning to do this for a long time but what with procrastination and priorities, tomorrow turned into all these years."

Britten concluded, "We're always happy to help whenever we can. What we did here was one of those things that makes you feel warm inside."

Post soldiers' efforts earn thanks

Members of the 16th AG Detachment (Postal) have received a letter of thanks for their help in a special program which sped up the delivery of Christmas mail to soldiers and their families stationed in the Pacific.

SSgt. Michael Gaskins, Sp4s Sergio S. Obispo, Craig Thompson, Clifford L. Troutman, Jr., and Juan Rayos, Sp4s Ernest Richardson and Larry Randolph, and Pv2 Russell Rice, received the letter which was sent to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr. post commander.

In his letter, Maj. David D. Smith, commander, U. S. Army Mail Terminal, San Francisco, cited the Presidio soldiers for their efforts in "Operation Pallet," which he said "had been only dreamed of for nearly 10 years and had never really gotten off the ground due to its complexity. Your assistance was a prime factor in the final success of this truly historical and valuable first."

The operation, which involved the loading of mail bound for Pacific locations onto pallets, saved as much as five days in deliv-

ery time. Under normal circumstances the mail is placed in bags and shipped to Travis Air Force Base to be placed on the pallets before being airlifted.

In order to complete the operation, the mail terminal required the assistance of soldiers, airmen and the U.S. Postal Service.

Airmen from Travis came to the terminal to instruct the workers there in the proper way to load the pallets and the postal service then transported the pallets to Travis.



What can be done when G.I. Joe can't read or write?

by Tom Donaghy

Twenty three million Americans are functionally illiterate.

That's 23 million people who can't read above the fifth grade level. Of those, 19 thousand enlist in the military each year.

These gloomy statistics appeared in a recent Army Times Magazine article, "When G. I. Joe Can't Read."

Ms. Claire Manhart, education supervisor at the Fort Scott education center, explained that the center has two programs that are geared for soldiers with literacy problems.

The first is the General Education Development program. Manhart said, "This course is designed to raise the soldiers education level. Army Regulation requires all soldiers to be able to read at the ninth grade level."

GED can help

The GED program is designed to improve a deficiency in reading, math, vocabulary or writing skills. The students are tested before and after the course to mark their improvement.

"Students can earn a high school diploma from taking this course, but it is only a side benefit. We don't stress the diploma as much as the improvement," said Manhart.

The second program is the GT improvement program. This program was designed "to bring a soldiers GT score up so that he or she can get into a career field that will be of some value to him and the service," stated Manhart.

"But a lot of military people don't come forward with their literacy problem. We have more dependants taking these courses than active duty persons.

"We have to go into the files looking for people without a high school diploma, or who have a GT score below 90. That's our prime concern, our major customer.

Presently, there are 50 active duty persons on the Presidio who don't have a high school diploma, or who have low GT scores. Of those, only six have enrolled this term in the GED program, and 14 are taking the GT improvement course.

Manhart said that most of the participation is done by the dependants, especially those born in another country, take the courses such as G.E.D. or English as a second language.

Army down playing?

Since all of the GED courses are during duty hours, many soldiers have a bit of trouble getting to take them. Manhart explained that **"The Army is down playing the courses we offer. They think that the service member should get his education on his own time.** But some do take them, and we've even had a few who spent their whole day here for 10 weeks and earned their GEDs. They must have nice supervisors."

Mrs. Dagmar Turner is a dependant wife who has completed Presidios' GED course. She was born in Germany, and met her husband, Richard, now a Command Sergeant Major, there.

Turner came to the states with her husband in

1957, but didn't speak English. She picked up some English but didn't have much formal training, and wanted a high school diploma.

"It feels real good to be able to say I have a high school diploma. To me it just means so much more. And I just might go through college at the ed center," she said.

Turner received high grades, "All A's except one B. I know I've really improved." She is just an example of all the dependants who come in to finish their school to get a job, or for just something to do.

Facilities available

The Education Center has a learning lab consisting of three large classrooms, and a library. There are nine professional teachers with either masters or bachelors degrees in education, reading, English, and math who instruct the students.

Manhart finally pointed out that there are many people, not just soldiers and their families, who have completed high school and still can't read. "This is one of the great problems in the education system today. The system is not training people to do functional things.

"It's a great handicap, a great hinderance. So many people have a high school diploma simply because they were passed on when they really shouldn't have."

"Education is the Key to Success for soldiers and civilians alike. We just hope that everyone will take advantage of the opportunity available here."

It's school time again on post

On post college courses return Jan. 28.

One big change is that San Francisco State University classes will be **15 weeks** long instead of eight weeks as in the past. Classes will meet only one night a week, in an effort to provide a better schedule for military students.

Classes with City College of San Francisco will

continue to be eight weeks in length.

Letterman and LAIR students will now be able to attend medical-related classes close to work. **The social work center conference room, Building 1050,** has been made available this semester for the **Mental Health and Human Sexuality** classes.

Mental Health (Psych 350) is being offered for non-majors in psychology. The course emphasizes psychological factors of human adjustment and typical patterns of relationships between individuals. The class meets Jan. 28

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Major hopes to be major star

by Ted Elisee

The blistering sun over Korea beat down on the helmeted head of the young actor. Without hesitation, the actor delivered his lines.

It had been a long day on the set, but he was used to that by now. He had been doing this sort of work for twenty years. This particular take was an important one though. This time his name would appear on the credits with Jaqueline Bissett and Sir Laurence Olivier.

Michael B. Christy, a major in the United States Army and Public Affairs Officer for the Presidio began his Army career in 1966 and his modeling acting career in 1959. Said Christy, "I grew up on the block in Grand Rapids, Michigan. I wasn't a bad kid, but I had a street wise attitude that gave me some trouble in school. I always wanted to get involved in the theater and like every other aspirant I fantasized about making it in the business."

Christy drifted after high school with little direction. Having little else to do, he joined the Marines. During his stint he had the opportunity to grow and mature. He used his time in the Marines to study other peoples personalities and practiced portraying them.

When he left the Marines Christy took odd jobs and some drama classes. The classes paid off and he found himself on the stage with **Joe E. Brown** in "**Father of the Bride**." Off stage he worked as a box car loader at a refrigeration plant. With the close of the play came frustration and lack of work.

He enrolled in night school and joined the National Guard. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant, but his jobs outside of the military varied. He held six jobs in two years and finally got some roles in commercials.

"The commercials seemed to be the break that I needed to keep my interest in the film industry intact. The stories you see and hear about starving, struggling actors are true. I know. I experienced it," Christy related.

In 1966, the Vietnam conflict was stirring and Christy felt he needed to get involved in the action. As a green beret he tromped through Nam as an Army captain. Strangely enough, he received the 'star status' he had been searching for all his life—only in a different form.

Said Christy, "There I was in the thick of it. I had asked for it and I got it. Some of my men thought I was crazy, but I got along well with them and they responded well."

One day all hell hit the area and Christy found himself leading his men through the thick of

forest and fire. He rallied his group and fired his rifle point blank eliminating three of the attackers. Charging the enemy he eliminated two more by throwing hand grenades. For this heroic action he was cited with the Silver Star.

In Cambodia, he received his second Silver Star. Christy's company was surrounded, and enemy fire wounded his face, temporarily blinding him. Once again, he helped lead his men to safety and also saved a company member who was lying wounded in an open area.

"I returned to the U. S. and found that I still wanted to get back on the stage or in films. I had been interviewed by ABC News correspondents while I was in the field. The whirl of the cameras had churned me up, and I was anxious to try acting again," Christy said.

And try he did. After some more small roles and a few commercials, the big break finally came during his assignment to Korea in 1977.

With resume in hand, he presented himself to various agents in the Orient. From that effort came 16 roles in films and television. Also numerous modeling jobs, including modeling for a major hotel chain and for a major airline.

"It's difficult to say why it happened all of a sudden for me. Perhaps I was in the right place at the right time, but I chose to believe that my hard work and professional ability was finally recognized," Christy said with a smile.

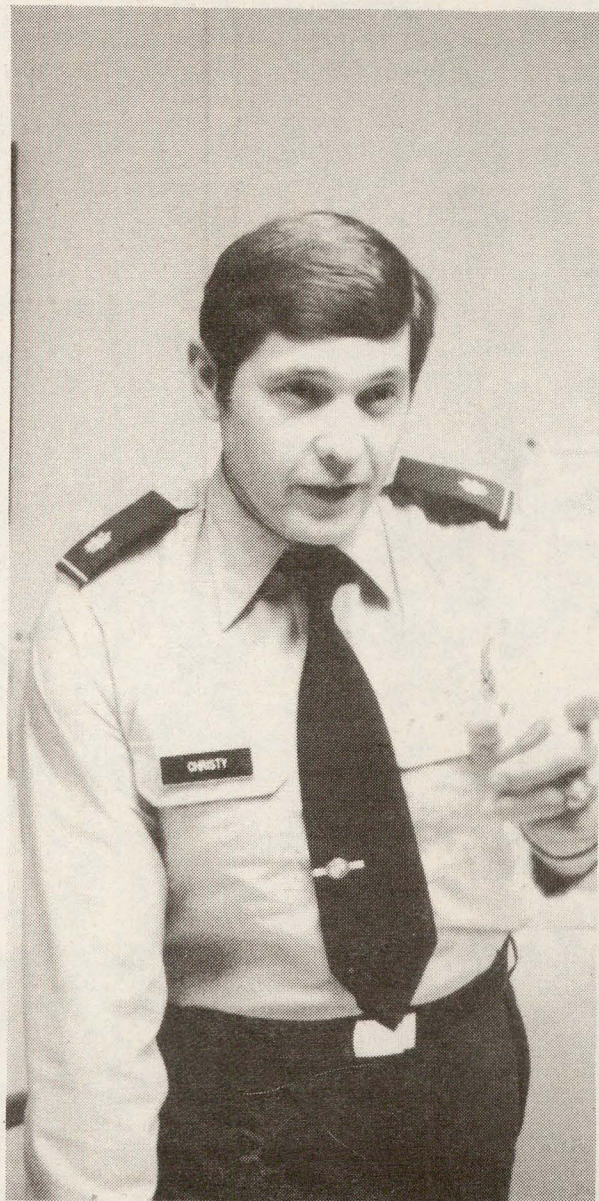
His two biggest roles have not yet been released. One, a movie, "**Dangerous Passage**," made with **Chris Mitchum** will be released sometime this year. In the film, Christy plays the role of a slightly stupid hoodlum.

The hallmark of his acting roles, however, is the filming of the war motion picture—"**Inchon**."

"Inchon," also to be released this year, stars **Sir Laurence Olivier** and **Jaqueline Bissett**. Christy's wife, **Jaye**, also a model by profession acted as the stand in for Miss Bissett.

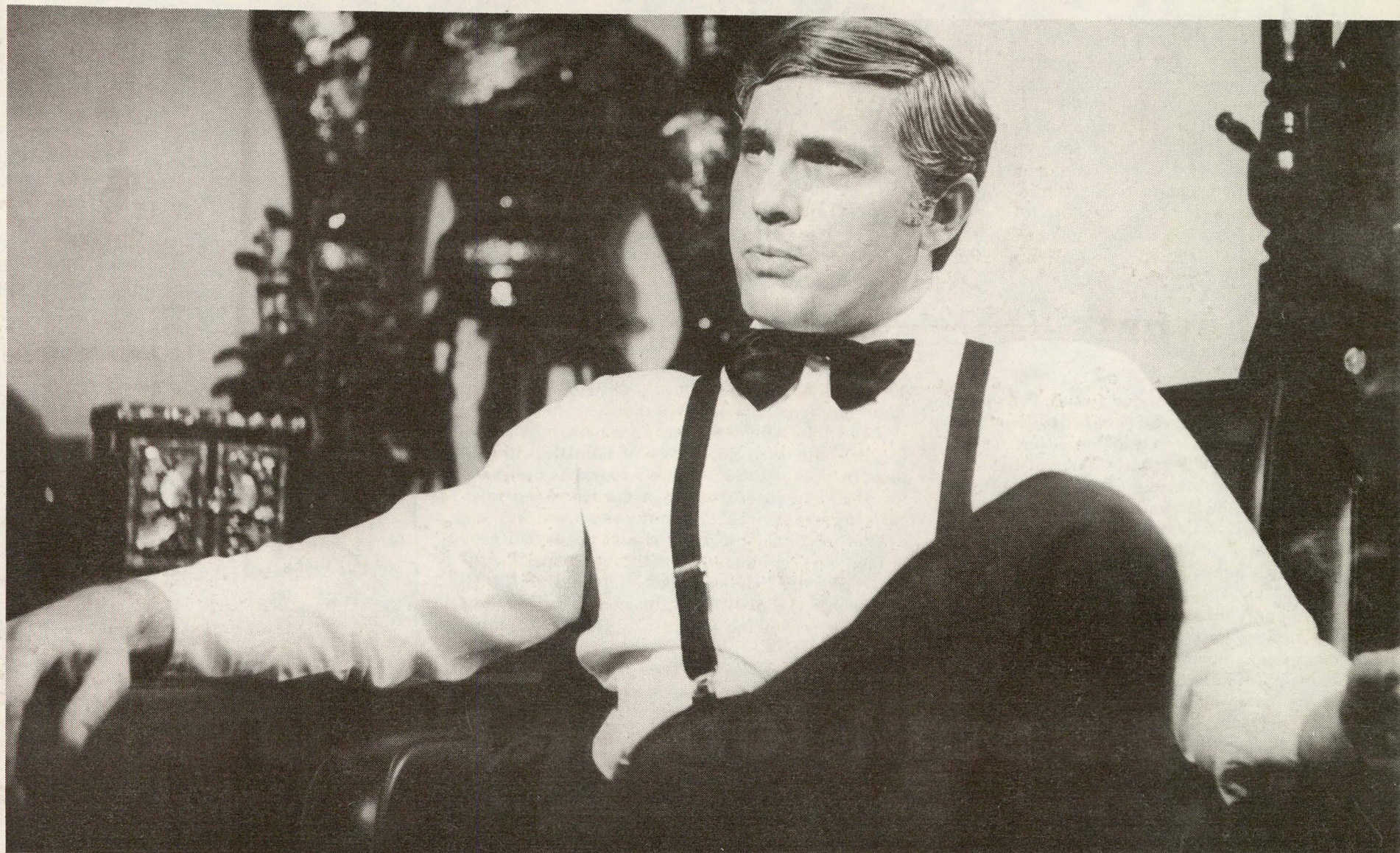
The long road to stardom is not over for Christy. It still spans for miles. His greatest hope is that the exposure in these most recent films, will make the road ahead less bumpy.

"At this point in my career, naturally the Army comes first, but my private life is important, too. I still want to continue to branch out in show business. Perhaps, the next year will tell just how much the film industry is interested in me. Naturally, I hope they will be. In any case, four years from now I will be considering retirement from the military. I will be forty-four then. I still want Hollywood, and I hope they still want me," Christy concluded.



Now see, here

*Even in his everyday job as Public Affairs Officer, Maj. Mike Christy has to employ a little acting. Here Christy makes a point during his weekly PAO staff meeting. Christy is an actor in his free time and will soon be seen on the screen in the movie **Inchon**.*



All dressed with someplace to go

*Actor Mike Christy plays an Englishman in the movie "**Cross Fists**". Christy in real life is*

an Army major currently serving as Public Affairs Officer for the Presidio. The major

*and his wife, **Jaye**, are also models and have appeared in many magazine ads*

Bakers go the distance

by Chuck Dasey

Like most of the running-boom legion, Brig. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, commanding general, Letterman Army Medical Center, and his wife, Dolly, don't have to win races to have fun running.

On Dec. 9, 1979, they crossed the finish line together at the Honolulu Marathon, one of running's most glamorous races. Honolulu was the General's sixth marathon, and Mrs. Baker's second.

Baker took up running in 1962 prior to attending airborne school. He continued pounding the pavement regularly during an assignment with the 101st Airborne Division, then kept it up sporadically in later assignments. Most of his early running was done in two and three mile jobs, and all of it was done in combat boots.

One of the biggest advantages for runners that the running boom has brought about is the availability of quality running shoes. Baker won't soon go back to combat boots when he can run in light weight shoes that breathe, flex with the foot, have thick soles that absorb shock, and don't seem to hurt no matter how far you go in them. They're nice, but they're not cheap.

"I paid more for the last pair of running shoes I bought than for any other pair of shoes in my whole life," the General said. Baker runs about 60 miles per week, in six or seven days, at a comfortable pace, some days a little faster than others. He has the lean look of a runner, and his resting pulse is under fifty.

Mrs. Baker says running makes her feel "pazzier," both physically and mentally. She started running occasionally, about a mile at a time, 10 years ago. "A year ago," she said, "I thought I'd never finish a marathon. Now I've run in two of them."

The Bakers ran their first marathon, the Avenue of the Giants in Weott, Calif., together, in May, 1979. The course is a very scenic route through a redwood forest, on the coast near the Oregon border. Mrs. Baker had mixed feelings before the race. Her training mileage had been lower than most books and experts recommend as preparation for the first marathon, and one of her feet was slightly injured. But the foot didn't bother her on race day. She kept pushing, and almost before she knew it, she was at the finish line. She was proud, but she wanted to make sure she hadn't just been lucky. She had to do it again, and did, in Honolulu, faster this time by about 15 minutes.

Many runners say their running is strictly non-competitive. The Bakers are slightly competitive. They like to compete against themselves, trying to better what they've done in the past. They also enjoyed age-group competition during the Baker to Baker Relay Race last August in which two-member teams ran the race, with the first member running from Ft. Baker to Baker Beach, and the anchorman running back to Ft. Baker. Age categories were set by taking the sum of the ages of the two team members. With their combined age just clearing 100, the Bakers fared quite well in their group.

In the future, Gen. Baker wants to keep up his mileage, and continue racing in marathons. He'd

like to run the Boston Marathon, where the elite meet. And after retirement, he'd like to run a marathon in every state.

Mrs. Baker wants to run to stay fit, and run

one marathon per year. As for one in every state, Mrs. Baker will provide logistical support, but doesn't plan to run the classic distance 48 more times.



Doing the distance

Brig. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, LAMC commanding general, and his wife, Dolly, cross the finish line following the Avenue of the

Giants Marathon held recently in Weott, Calif.

(Photo courtesy of Gen. Baker)

School starts

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through May 11 every Monday from 5-7:45 p.m.

A course entitled **Human Sexuality** (Bio 330) will cover the structure and function of the genital system in humans, physiology of the sexual response, love making, sexual deviation, restraints of law, birth control, concepts of love and extra marital sexual relationships and abortion. This extremely informative class will meet on Wednesdays Jan. 30-May 13 from 6 to 8:45 p.m.

Remember **Army tuition assistance** is available at the Army Education Centers for all SFSU classes on and off post. The Army pays 75%, the student 25%. Tuition assistance forms for on-post classes must be received by Jan 23.

First Year Composition (Eng 106) is back again due to popular demand. The course is required for freshmen seeking a degree and is worth three semester hours. The class will meet at the Fort Scott Education Center on Tuesday Jan. 29 through May 12, from 6-8:45 p.m.

Also at the Fort Scott Education Center this term is **Introduction to American Politics** (PL SI 200). This is a timely course worth four semester hours. Emphasized in the course is the impact of economy, political culture, social struc-

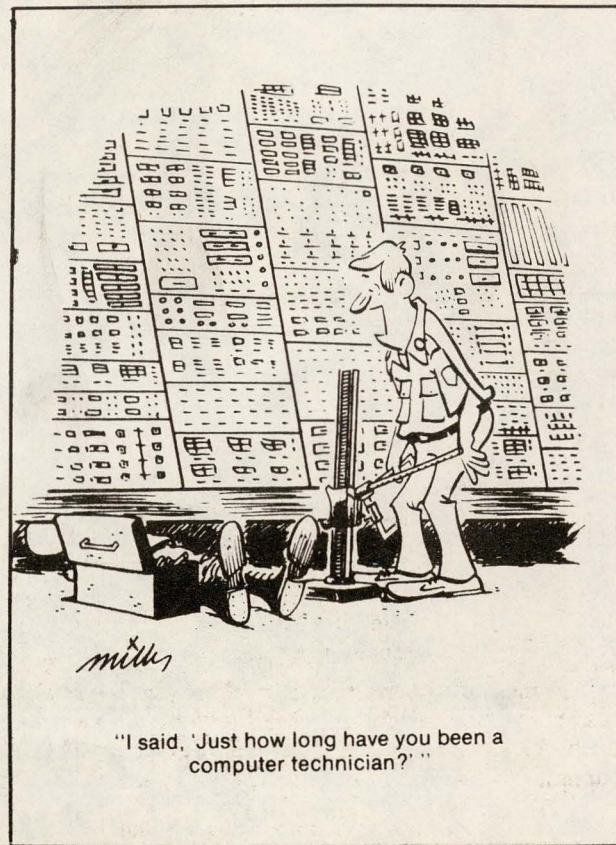
ture and international environment on American politics throughout United States history and development. The class meets: Jan. 24-May 14 on Thursday from 5:30 to 8:50 p.m.

The City College of San Francisco is back at the Presidio with **Sociology of Health and Illness in Society** (Soc. 4). This course is designed for students interested in a career in medical care, social services, or community work. It's an evaluation of the structure, function, and effects of medicine and medical practitioners on society. Conveniently, this class is being held at **LAIR classroom AS 3101** for eight weeks: on Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m., Feb. 5 through Mar. 27.

All CCSF classes are **free for military personnel and dependents stationed at the Presidio for less than a year, and for California residents.**

For non-resident military personnel **tuition assistance is available**, at a cost of \$36.75. Books must be purchased by all students at the CCSF bookstore at an approximate cost of \$35.00.

For registration, tuition assistance and information on any of the above classes contact the LAMC Education Center, Bldg. 1007, at 561-4030 or the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216, at 561-4445.



Sports

Horn toppled in squash action

The post Squash Tournament forecast was upset somewhat as underdog **Bill James, LAMC**, defeated last year's champion **Bob Horn, LAMC**, 3-0, in the second round of competition. Since this is a double elimination tournament, Horn hopes to get a rematch by defeating the winner of the **Joseph Egan, LAMC**, vs. **Michael McConnell, LAMC**, match in the losers bracket.

Presidio trounces Kansas 96-57

The Presidio Men's Basketball Team downed the USS Kansas City, from Treasure Island 96-57 to up their record to 4-4. The team is currently preparing for the FORSCOM Basketball Tournament, to be held at Ft. Lewis, March 3-7. Coach O. B. McCane, has had the task of jelling 12 talented individuals, and as each week goes by the team has shown steady improvement towards that goal. Standouts for the team include **Duane Gibson, LAMC**, **Charles Hamilton, 163rd MP Co.**, **Jacob Wilson, Elvis Williams**, and **Gary Adams** of the 864th Engineers.

Presidio women trip Alameda

The Women's Post Team behind the floor leadership of **Marilyn Johnson** squeaked by Alameda 32-20 to increase their record to 2-1, in preparation for the FORSCOM Basketball Tournament. The team is still in the building stage and is looking for players. Interested women are asked to call Coach John Williams at 561-5405.

Rockets down Oakland 34-17

The tenacious defense of **Raven Brown** and **Jeffery Hill**, proved too much for an uninspired Oakland basketball team, as the Presidio Rockets ousted the Oakland team, 34-17. Rockets **James Untalan**, was high point man with 11 points followed by teammate, **Tony Jett**, with 8. Playmaker **Keith Bagille** set-up the plays that helped even the Rockets record at 1-1, while Oakland fell to an 0-3 record.

Spurs topple Oakland again

The Brothers **Johnson**, **Craig** and **Cordell**, combined for 18 points, while **Mike Mecholhoff** dropped in 12 points, as the Presidio Spurs turned back a determined Oakland team (0-2) 32-16. The win boosted the spurs record to two wins in as many games. **Hoa Hanford's** and **Jacqueline Sowell's** defense completely handicapped a willing Oakland team. In the game proceeding the PSF—Oakland bout, Treasure Island No. 2 held on to defeat Treasure Island No. 1.

Intramural action

Intramural League Standing			
League No. 1		League No. 2	
Sixth Army	5-1	USAG No. 2	5-0
864th	4-1	LAMC No. 2	5-1
USAG No. 1	5-3	USACC	4-1
170th MP	4-2	16th AG	2-2
LAIR No. 1	3-5	DENTAC	2-2
66th Radar	2-4	Public Health	2-3
FBI	2-4	LAIR No. 2	0-5
LAMC No.3	2-4	504th MP Co.	0-6
LAMC No. 1	2-5		



Bending over backwards

A member of the DENTAC team seems to bend overbackwards in an attempt to grab a rebound during the teams game against

LAIR. DENTAC went on to win the game 60-45. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Don't just drop in

Winter Olympics

If you're planning to wait until you get to Lake Placid to purchase tickets for 1980 Winter Olympic Events—DON'T. No counter tickets will be sold during the XIII Winter Olympics, February 12-24, 1980, according to Lake Placid Winter Olympics organizing committee officials. All tickets must be prepurchased through the mail with ticket confirmation taking four to six weeks. The admissions office will furnish you with alternate tickets if the events you requested are sold out unless you indicated alternate tickets would not be accepted. By the time you submit another request for tickets to alternate events, they too may be sold out. More than half a million tickets will be sold with over 50 percent of these tickets being handled by bus tours. Most of the tours will require individuals to purchase tickets to two or more events. About 51,700 people are expected to travel in and around Lake Placid during competition days.

Only three major highways—all two lane—lead into Lake Placid. To ease traffic flow and keep roadways clear, parking areas away from Lake Placid will be set up. Travel into Lake Placid will be restricted to people who need to be on the highways. They will be identified by sticker or markings. Individuals entering the area in their own vehicles and holding tickets for olympic events will be directed to the nearest parking lot. Free shuttle buses will take spectators to and from their desired olympic event site. Parking areas will be located at Marcy Airfield, near Keene Valley High School along Route 73; in the Wilmington area along Route 86 to the North-east of Lake Placid; and in Saranac Lake to the west. Information on tickets—tour packages and individual tickets—may be obtained by writing to 1980 Olympic Winter Games, Admissions Office, Box 1980, Lake Placid, N. Y. 12946.

Presidio News Notes

We need you

The **Star Presidian** is in need of your help. **Delivery of the paper to some quarters in the Pershing Housing Area may soon be interrupted** due to the loss of persons to help distribute the newspapers.

If you live in the **1524, 1526, 1549, 1553, 1557, 1559, 1561 or 1563** areas and can help in this effort please contact Mrs. Mary Schuster at 561-5156.

Retiring soon?

Pre-retirement Counseling Services will be available for all soldiers thinking about retiring between Jan. 31 and July 31 on **Jan. 21 from 8:30 a.m.-noon** in the **Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club**.

Representatives of the Social Security Administration, California Employment, the Transfer Point, Office of Personnel Management, Household Goods Sub-office, the Education Center, SJA, the Veteran's Administration and Retirement Services will be available for private or small group counseling as well as supplying information on the benefits for military retirees. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

Essay contest set

An **essay contest** is being held in conjunction with **Black History Week** for all Presidio personnel.

A \$75 Savings Bond will be awarded to the winner in each of the following categories: **officers, enlisted personnel, DA civilians, dependents over 18 years, and dependents under 18.**

Interested persons may write on one of three

topics: **Black History Week: What It Means to Me; A Time for Reflection; or Past, Present, and Future.**

Essays must be submitted to the **Human Resources Development Division, Building 909, Presidio of San Francisco by Feb. 6, 1980.** Contestants should include their name, telephone number, social security number and category on each essay.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as **welcomers** in the Pershing Housing Area. If you are interested and can spare a few hours each week please contact ACS at 561-5156.

Resume class set

A course on **resume writing** will be offered at the LAMC Education Center, Building 1007. For your convenience, classes are offered as a brown bag special from 12:10 to 1 p.m. and repeated at 4:10 p.m. The classes were held Jan. 28, 29 and 30. Students can come to either session. The fourth class will be arranged for the student's own resume. For further information or optional times, please call 561-3692/4030.

Uniforms wanted

Old uniforms, service ribbons and other memorabilia associated with Army life are being sought to be displayed at the California State Fair and the World's Fair in Los Angeles in 1981.

Anyone having items they'd like to donate should contact: Dr. Ray Ferguson, Project Director, International Costume Exhibition at P. O. Box 86, Burlingame, Calif. 94010.

Sewing class planned

The Recreation Center will be offering evening Sewing Classes starting Jan. 21, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. and afternoon classes will start Jan. 24 at 2 p.m. A \$10.00 fee will cover 18 hours of instruction. All interested parties should contact the Recreation Center prior to the first class to obtain the materials list.

For additional information about Recreational Center activities, please call the Recreational Center daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and discount coupons distributed daily after 4 p.m.

Photo class coming

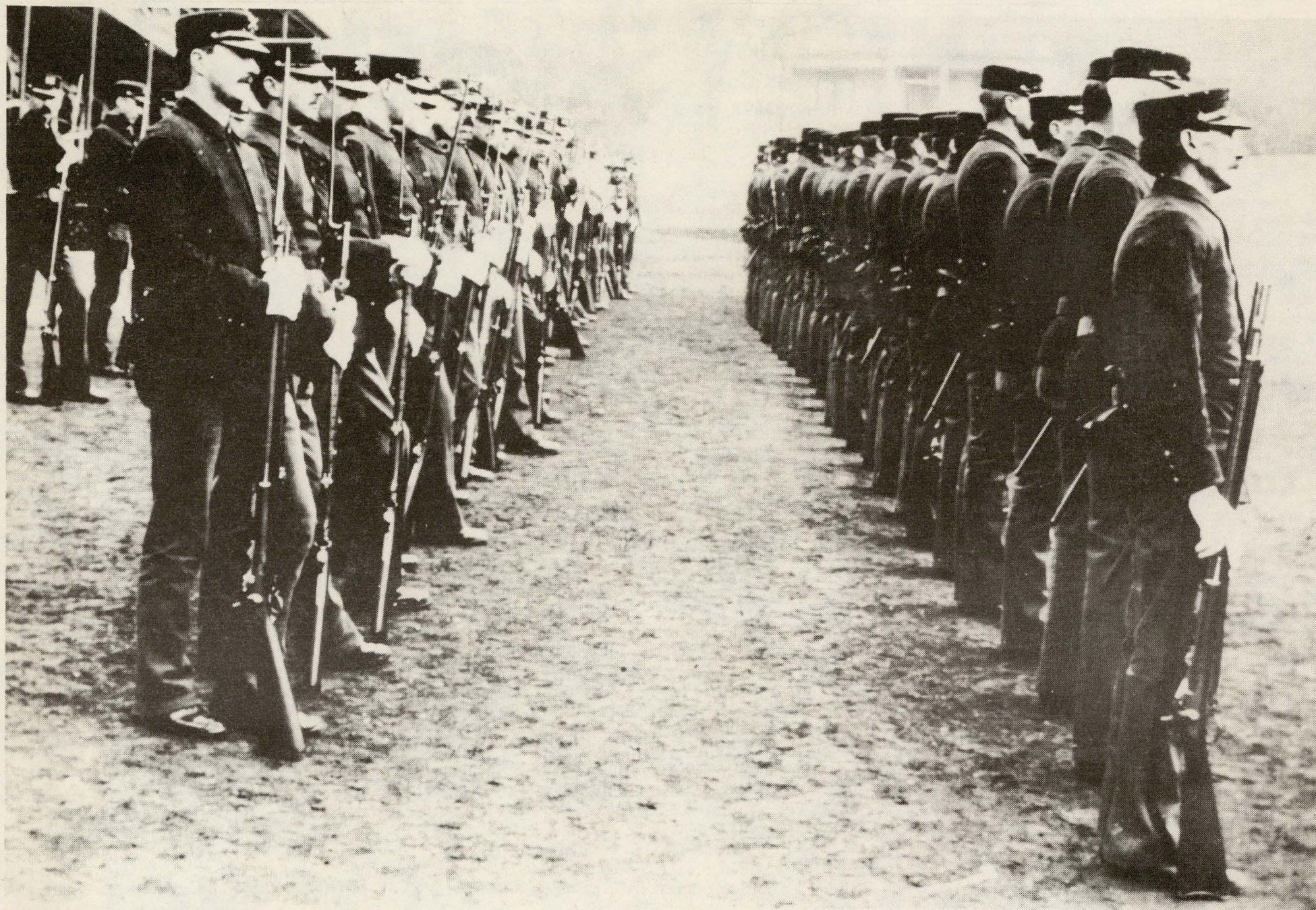
A **beginners photography class** will be conducted every Wednesday night from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the post Craft Shop. Fee for the class is \$5. Active duty military have first priority for this class but retired military, dependents and post civilians may sign-up and join the class on a space available basis.

NCO-EM club open

Disco with "Doc Webb and Company" is the order of the evening every **Thursday from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.** at the NCO/EM Club.

Rock Disco makes the scene on **Fridays from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.**

All Night Disco fills **Saturday evening from 10 p.m. til 5 a.m.** "Doc Webb and Company" plus the sounds of "Kickback", a nine piece band provide the music. There's a \$2 cover charge.



Early USAG inspection

Even in the old days they had formation similar to the one held each Wednesday by USAG. This early photo shows members of Battery B

preparing for their inspection. Since we received no entries for the Photo of the Week Contest we decided to give you a peek at life at

the Presidio during its early history. If you have a photo you'd like to submit for Photo of the Week bring it by for consideration.

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Energy use is up not down

by Debbie Miller

Presidio's energy consumption rate increased 14 percent over last year instead of the proposed five percent cut back, according to Mr. Edward W. Crane, Chief of Utilities of DFAE.

The future goal of Presidio's Energy saving plan is to reduce consumption from FY 75 by 25 percent and eventually achieving this goal by FY 85 added Crane. "For this reason we are enforcing the Building Compliance Plan which adjusts cooling, heating and hot water temperatures according to the buildings requirements.

"With cooperation from personnel working in administration building, DFAE can determine their energy deficiencies," stated Crane. "Then we can rectify which buildings require insulation for cold rafters, hot spots where the sun bakes all day and so on."

A committee from the Energy Conservation Council (ECC) has proposed conducting unannounced inspections for energy violations explains Mr. W.H. Prugh, Deputy Director of DIO.

Col. Desmond D. Dewy, deputy post commander, added that appropriate actions will be taken to reduce energy violations and deficiencies through command channels.

The unannounced inspections will check thermostats to insure they do not exceed 65 degrees, check unnecessary use of equipment or lighting and removal of convenience appliance such as space heaters which are against regulation.

ECC controls the use of energy usage here while staying within FORSCOM guidelines. The Council was established to keep the public informed of controlling the use of energy in the office and home.

"Request for new equipment (energy consuming) has to be justified and reviewed by the ECC for approval before action is taken through Procurement," commented Prugh.

Other new measures are also being considered to help reduce energy usage, Prugh said. "Metering devices may be installed in major building and housing areas to determine their energy con-

sumption from month to month. This way we can pinpoint areas which use excess amounts of energy."

The use of cold water in administration offices is also being considered which would cut down the post's energy saving goal by 22 percent points out Crane. Hot water will be available to buildings who can justify its use, for instance; housing areas and the hospital.

Another proposal under consideration is installing electronic devices to control pilot lights in furnaces to shut them off when not in use.

"DFAE is not trying to make life uncomfortable but to keep people energy minded while establishing a good working environment. If you have an effective energy plan or energy deficiencies in your building call DFAE's "Hot Line" (3159) and let us know," added Crane.

"Improving our energy conservation should be of vital interest to all Americans, including those of us at the Presidio," concluded Crane.

Explosion damages quarters

A flash fire and explosion caused an estimated \$2,000 damage to an unoccupied set of quarters last weekend.

According to Presidio Fire Department officials the fire and explosion was caused when a furnace pilot light ignited vapor from floor sealer which had been applied to the quarters during the day.

The fire, which occurred at 1516 C Stilwell Drive was over before firemen reached the scene. According to Assistant Fire Chief Jack Giacomoni, "The force of the explosion blew out the fire and several windows in the quarters." There was also extensive damage to the walls and floor.

According to Assistant Fire Chief Bill Day, this is the fourth fire of this type in two years. Fortunately, no one was injured in this accident, but one contractor was burned in a similar accident last year.

Thieves strike

In a daring daylight robbery, thieves recently stole a Huffy Pro Dirt Bike, from the steps of a soldier's quarters on the Presidio.

According to SSgt. Rich Modglin of the Provost Marshall's Office, the thieves weren't all that daring because the owners of the \$85 bike left it unsecured and insight of all passers-by and failed to properly mark the vehicle for identification.

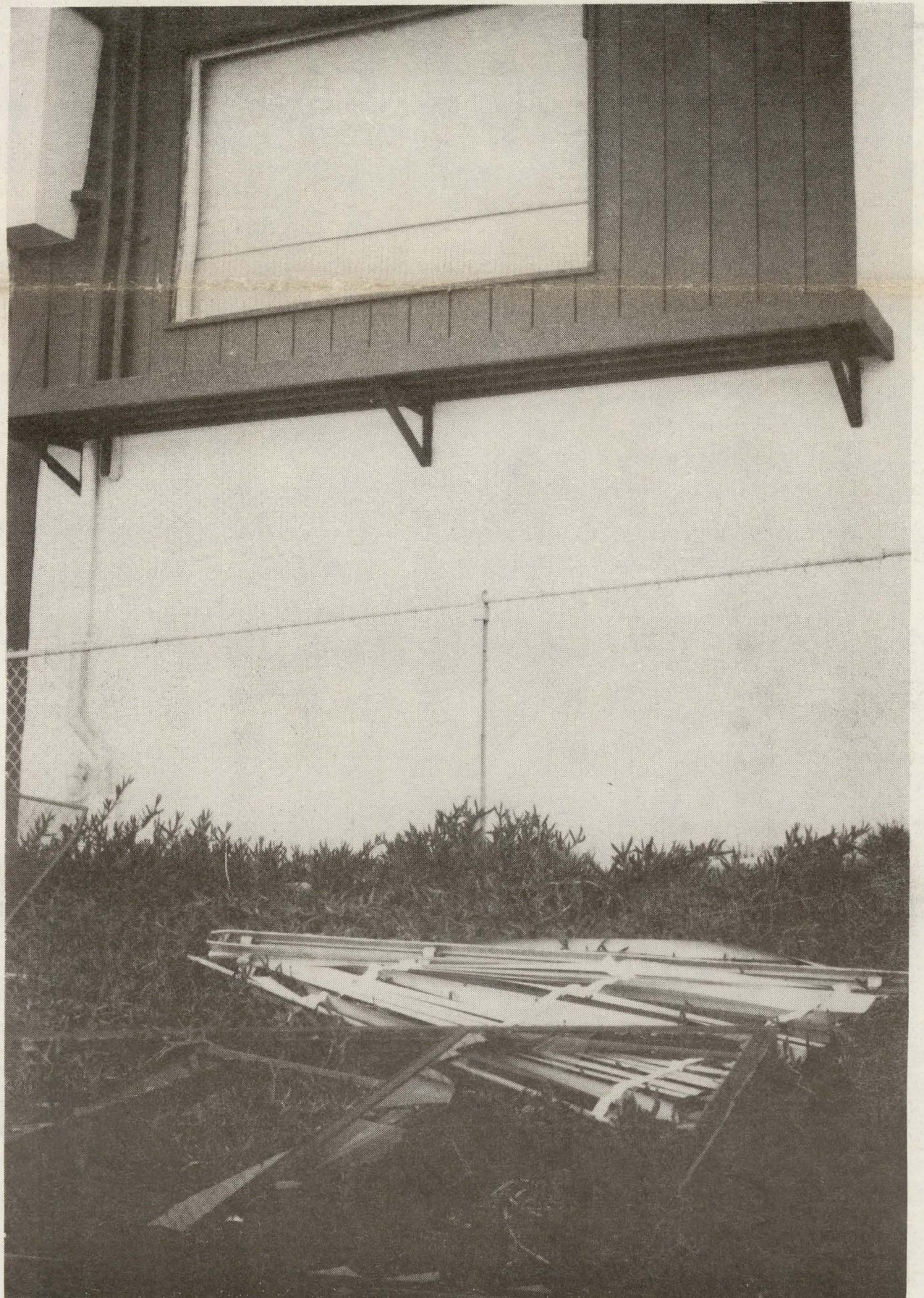
In a similar incident, a dependant wife observed two juveniles attempting to steal a bicycle left unsecured in her backyard.

The bicycle, valued at \$10, was in the process of being ridden away, when the woman caught the youngsters in the act.

Modglin states that these two incidents are typical of a growing number of cases involving the theft of unsecured items.

"As the weather gets warmer and more and more families start bringing out their ten speeds and other bikes, we are going to see a rise in the theft of these items," Modglin explained.

"Since this is an open post, it is very likely that people driving and walking through the housing areas are going to spot these items, take them



Big bang blows window

The exploding vapor from a weekend fire blew out not only the glass but also the metal

frame at these quarters at 1516 C Stilwell Rd. The fire caused more than \$2,000 damage.

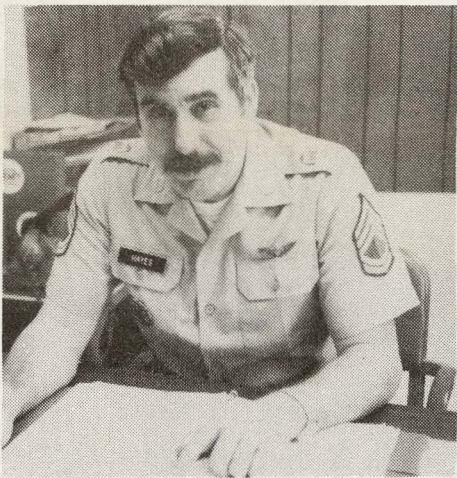
Ramblin' Sam

Should soldiers be exempt from extra duty?



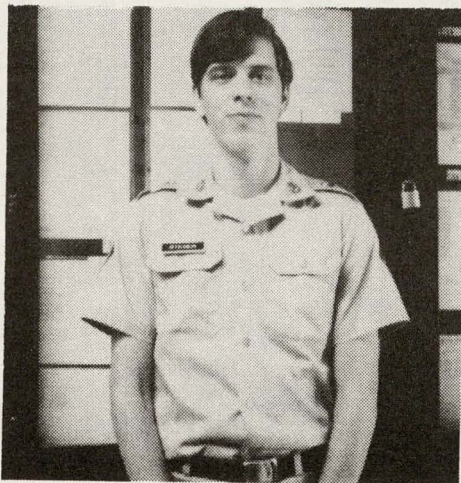
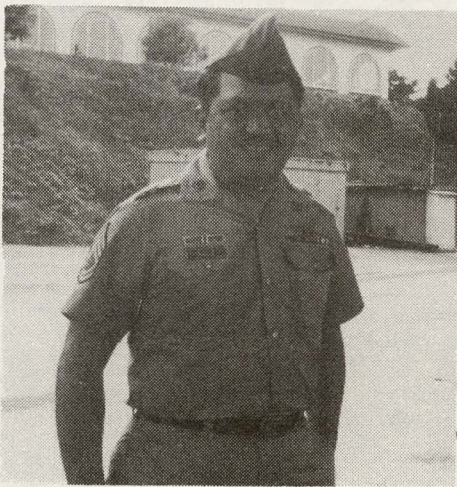
Sp5 Pat Jorgensen, HQ Co., USAG—"Yes, the mission that is required by the Army is no where near fulfilled because of too much duty."

Sp4 Delores Jackson, Personal Affairs—"I feel everyone should be exempt from all duty, then our work sections would stop complaining about personnel not finishing their work. What goes for one person goes for another, meaning everyone pulls duty or are exempt from duty."



SFC John Hayes, Post Career Counselor—"I think soldiers should be exempt from "make up" duties. The duties should be Job related to benefit their company or duty section."

SFC Rodney Kalua, LAMC—"No, because it's part of being a soldier pulling duty. It builds up character and a sense of responsibility in an individual."

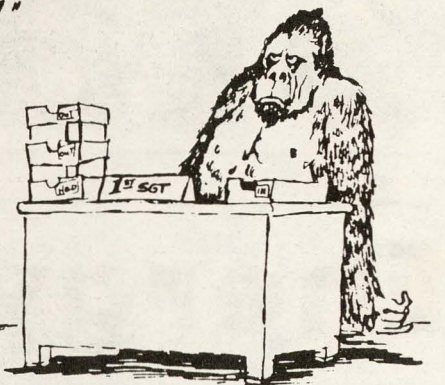


Sp4 Rick Steger, Compact—"No, It's part of the Job pulling duty and working in your MOS the Army trained you for."

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"I JUST GOT A CALL FROM HEADQUARTERS!—
BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR
ESCAPED GORILLA!"



Extra duty Who should be exempt?

An age old question that has plagued commanders since the earliest days of Army life is, **Should soldiers be exempt from extra duty?** This issue is one of the most complex and controversial to affect unit morale and esprit de corps.

The solution to this problem is not clear cut.

On one hand someone has to pull duties such as charge of quarters, guard duty, and a host of other details. The more soldiers on the duty roster the less often these details come up.

Commanders must also deal with a question of fairness in applying an exemption from duty (ED) policy. If a soldier is exempted from these extra duties for the wrong reasons, then the morale of other soldiers will be hurt and his fairness questioned.

On the otherhand, many sections face real problems in accomplishing their mission due to personnel shortages which are further aggravated when soldiers are absent due to extra detail.

In some duty sections, there are soldiers who are "mission essential" by virtue of the position they hold. Their absence can cause severe problems for the staff agencies.

A policy of blanket denials of request for ED is an admirable attempt to be fair to the soldiers assigned to a unit. Yet in the long run, it is unfair to the duty section.

The policy is also unfair to those soldiers, who, realizing that their sections need them, give up their time off following these extra duties

to return to work.

The dedication of these soldiers is pushed to the extreme limit when request for ED are returned with such stock and harsh answers as: "Due to the enormous tasking of all requests for utilization of assigned military personnel for post support missions, it is imperative that a maximum number of personnel be made available to perform these details."

The answer fails to consider that problems faced by the duty section where due to the enormous tasking of the staff agency it is imperative that this "mission essential" soldier be available for duty daily.

Blanket denials of ED request only serve to destroy soldier morale, alienate duty sections from the unit, and eventually drives dedicated and good soldiers from the post and, in too many cases, from the Army.

The solution to this problem is not easy. Yet, if we are to keep good soldiers in the Army and at posts where they are needed, such as the Presidio, we must find some answer.

Perhaps the best solution is to have all soldiers assigned and attached be subject to on the duty roster. Then each section should be given the opportunity to designate one or two soldiers who are "mission essential." The justification for these positions could be varified every six months to insure the continued need for the exemption of these soldiers.

The Army is built on team work. Is it fair for a few players to carry the entire team?

The Editor

We goofed, sorry

From time to time newspaper writers make mistakes. Last week's article entitled, "What can be done when GI Joe can't read?" contained several errors.

Our story may have given the impression that many post soldiers are prohibited from taking on-duty courses by their supervisors or commanders.

While this may be true in some cases, the majority of supervisors and unit commanders have been very cooperative in helping soldiers enroll in education courses offered

under the Basic Skills Education Program.

The author of the story may have also left the impression that more dependents are enrolled in military related courses than soldiers. This also is not true.

What the writer meant to say was that more dependents than soldiers attend the English as a Second Language Course.

The Star Presidian regrets these errors and will strive to prevent this from happening again.

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Know where your records are?

Ever wonder what happens to your records after you ETS?

Well, some day you may need to know. And if you need information from your records, it'll help to know where they're located.

The U.S. Army reserve components personnel and administration center (RCPAC) and the national personnel records center (NPRC) both maintain and service military records of former active duty soldiers.

While records are kept by these two agencies, which agency keeps your records will depend on your status—"discharged" or "released from active duty and transferred to a reserve status," according to RCPAC officials.

A person who is discharged has been released from the Army with no further commitment to serve. If you've been discharged, your records are with NPRC. The records of deceased soldiers are also maintained there.

"Released from active duty and transferred to

reserve status" means you must still serve in a reserve status although you have finished your initial term of active duty. RCPAC keeps your records for you.

According to RCPAC officials, members of the individual ready service, standby reserve, retired reserve or active Army retired personnel, including general officers, should send their requests for information to RCPAC.

When submitting a request, you should give the following information: full name, social security number/service number and date of release from active duty or date of discharge.

If you were discharged before July 1, 1969, the service number must be provided. After that date, the armed forces switched to social security numbers for identification.

Soldiers who left active duty between November 1, 1912, and December 31, 1959, will find their requests take longer because individual files must be reconstructed. According to officials

at RCPAC, about 16.5 million records belonging to former soldiers who served between 1912 and 1959 were destroyed in a fire at the military personnel records center, St. Louis, MO., July 2, 1973.

To help in rebuilding files, affected veterans need to furnish entry and discharge dates, organizational units and dates of assignments, geographic locations in which service was performed and any other facts available, according to officials. Standard form 180, available through veterans services offices, should be turned in when files must be rebuilt.

Soldiers released or discharged from active duty should wait 60 days before contacting RCPAC or NPRC. This will allow time for their military personnel records to be processed.

Requests to both RCPAC and NPRC should be mailed to 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo. 63132, since both agencies are located at that address.



Together is happiness

Sp4s Marti and Bobby Washington congratulate each other following their reenlistment this week. The Washingtons who came to the Presidio

16 months ago as strangers were married in Nov. and will leave soon for a tour to Germany together. (Photo by Tom Tierman)

Washingtons do it together

In September 1978 Privates Bobby Washington and Marti Evans arrived at the Presidio. They didn't know each other.

Washington went to work at COMPACT and Evans at transportation.

Since they were both assigned to Headquarters Company, USAG, they became acquainted.

In the next year Washington and Evans relationship grew into friendship and finally blossomed into love. On Nov. 24, 1979 the two soldiers were married.

A few weeks ago, Bobby received word that he was on orders for Germany and it looked as if the two might be separated.

On Tuesday, Specialist Fours Bobby and Marti Washington reenlisted so they

could serve together in Germany.

According to SFC John Hayes, Presidio reenlistment NCO, the Washingtons could have extended but decided, "to reenlist to help the post's reenlistment effort."

The two first termers also helped Hayes to reach a new milestone in reenlistment on the Presidio. "This is the first time in several years that we've reached our goal of first term reenlistments for four straight months," explained Hayes.

When Bobby and Marti Washington came to the post 16 months ago they didn't even know each other. When they leave in a few months, they'll take with them a commitment to each other and to the Army.

Blood drive set for Feb.

The first Presidio blood drive for 1980 has been set for Tuesday, Feb. 12, according to L. D. Bowen, director of personnel and community activities.

As in the past, two sites have been chosen for this drive—the NCO Club (Bldg. 135) which will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the Education Center at Fort Scott (Bldg. 1216), open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, post commander has announced that military personnel will receive one day off in conjunction with a weekend for their donation. Civilian personnel will receive the customary four hours off following the donation.

The theme of this drive is "Give the gift that keeps on living" which is also the theme for January designated as Blood Donation month.

Key persons have been named in all units and activities throughout the installation. Through them, donors will be given the opportunity to make appointments for giving.

PX changes layaway plan

Presidio post exchange customers will find the store's layaway program more attractive in the coming months due to changes made in the system by AAFES headquarters.

According to Ms. Sandy Bourne, Presidio exchange manager, beginning Feb. 1, customers will be able to use the 180-day layaway plan for purchases totaling \$200 or more. In the past only one item totaling \$200 or a set of items such as chinaware could be put on layaway for six months.

"What this basically means," explained Bourne is that customers may layaway several items which together total \$200 or more in value."

Bourne added that the 180-day plan does not include clothing, shoes or perishables. Clothing and shoes may still be placed on the 90-day layaway.

The grace period for cancelling delinquent layaways have also been changed. Customers now have 20 days of grace to cover the layaway payment before the merchandise is returned to stock. Previously, ten days was the maximum time allowed to make good on delinquent layaway accounts.

Two other changes will go into effect on Feb. 1 which will change the layaway plan.

Beginning on that date, the minimum deposit for all layaways will be \$3 or ten percent of the total price, whichever is greater.

Also a service charge of \$3 will be charged when a customer cancels a layaway or the PX cancels a layaway due to customer default.

Lawyers put on soldier's side

Walking into a military courtroom can be a nerve wrecking experience, especially when you're not really sure if your military lawyer is really on your side or his bosses!

The Army recently changed its legal system to take the question of possible conflict of interest out of the minds of defendants in military legal actions.

The change is simple but the ramifications are major. **Defense lawyers are no longer within the chain of command at the installation level.** Prior to the establishment of the TDS, defense lawyers came under the jurisdiction of the installation Staff Judge Advocate, the same individual who was responsible for the duties of prosecutor.

Last fall, Army lawyers who were serving as defense lawyers were "reassigned" from their duty stations to the new Trial Defense Service in Washington, D.C. They were then attached to the headquarters units of those posts where they were physically located for administrative support, not control.

Under this concept, the Presidio of San Francisco was assigned one Senior Defense Counsel, Maj. James Stearns. According to Stearns, "the

primary objective of the change is to remove the possibility that the loyalty of the defense counsel may be split between protecting the interests of his client and pleasing his boss."

With the separation of the defense counsel from the installation chain of command, the Staff Judge Advocate, who advises the commander on whether or not a case is good or bad for court-martial, administrative elimination or Article 15, no longer approves leaves requests or writes the efficiency report for the defense lawyer who represents the soldier in the courtroom.

Stearns likened this development in the Army's legal system to the 1968 change removing military judges from the installation chain. Stearns says, "It will further insulate defense counsel from possible improper influence by commanders or senior officers formerly in their chains of supervision."

Stearns also indicates that "incidents of such improper influence by commanders have been rare, and improper interference from Staff Judge Advocates even rarer. But these situations and former relationships have at least the appearance of an inherent conflict of interest. The creation of the Trial Defense Service has cor-

rected this situation."

Stearns has served as a defense counsel for four years. His qualifications are similar to many of his colleagues who are serving as defense counsels under the new concept.

In order to receive a commission as an officer in the Judge Advocate General Corps and be certified as competent to perform defense counsel duties, one must be a graduate of an accredited law school or a member of the bar of a federal court or of the highest court of a state.

Stearns is a graduate of Memphis State University and was awarded his law degree from the University of Mississippi.

Stearns has also graduated from an intensive nine week resident course in military law subjects at the Judge Advocate General's School in Charlottesville, Va., and attends periodic short courses and law seminars to maintain pace with current developments in the legal profession.

The Trial Defense Service Office at the Presidio is located on the second floor of Bldg. 116 on Sheridan Avenue, and can be reached by phone at 561-3567.

Work order desk

Presidio's center for day and night repair service

by Tom Donaghy

It's near bedtime, the kids are quieting down, and it's time to check the house before climbing into bed.

As you walk into the kitchen you smell gas. Its pungent odor immediately warns you of danger. You go to the stove, but the knobs are turned tight. Who do you call?

The Directorate of Facilities Engineers' can respond to nighttime emergencies. It's part of the work order desk team that does all the repair work on post.

The work order desk receives between 100 and 150 phone calls per day requesting some type of repair work.

Day begins at 7

Their usual day begins about 7 a.m., and the all civilian crews go out to the various quarters, billets, and administration buildings to correct the problems.

According to SSgt. Mike Auletti, desk sergeant, "We get alot of calls, but usually repairs are taken care of in one or two days. There are priorities, and sometimes it may seem as if we're slow."

Some of these "priorities" are kitchen sinks. "They are a number one priority because they're a necessity. A family can't prepare dinner with a clogged sink. Another top priority is gas leaks, the smell of gas, steam leaks, or severe water leaks," explained Auletti.

Carl F. Porter, plumbing supervisor at DFAE, explained that his crew receives approximately 50 calls a day. Porter said this doesn't count the renovation, remodeling, or underground work they do.

People can help

"We have no trouble keeping up with the demands. It's a service we give. But there are a few things that people could do that could save us a lot of time.

"If people would just properly use the facilities in their buildings they would last longer. Don't wait until things get so bad that we have to replace the whole unit.

"Second, if people had an ordinary plunger they could unstop a shower or water closet (toilet) themselves.

"If you have a washing machine make sure it's draining properly, keep the lint filter clean. If not, all the lint will flush down and cause a back-up.

"And use the garbage disposal properly. They're not designed to eat everything. People

should read the pamphlet that goes with them," Porter concluded.

Fix it yourself

"Most of the time, if the guy is mechanically inclined, there is nothing wrong with him giving a good try at repairing a basin or kitchen sink. But he should never try to repair a shower in the wall, or some larger job, because if it breaks, it could be costly.

The major gripe of the plumbers is that people call in for repair work, and then are not there when the man arrives.

"We find it very hard to understand why we send plumbers 15 minutes after a call and there's no one there.

"We leave a card on their door knob for them to call us back and make another appointment, but they usually don't see it. They must call back for another appointment," said Porter.

The work order desk keeps one night crewman, a soldier from the 51st Engineer Detachment to handle emergencies that arise after work hours. Auletti said that "people in quarters misuse the night crewman. He is there only for emergencies, and people overlook that.

Don't abuse

"We cross train our people, but if there's a carpenter on and he goes out on a gas leak that he can't handle then he has to call the fire department. The firemen are authorized to call in a civilian to do a job like that.

"Otherwise, the call is left until the day crew gets to it." The Facilities Engineers have a big job. Their territory includes all the buildings on Presidio, Hamilton Air Force Base, and a few buildings at Oakland Army Terminal.

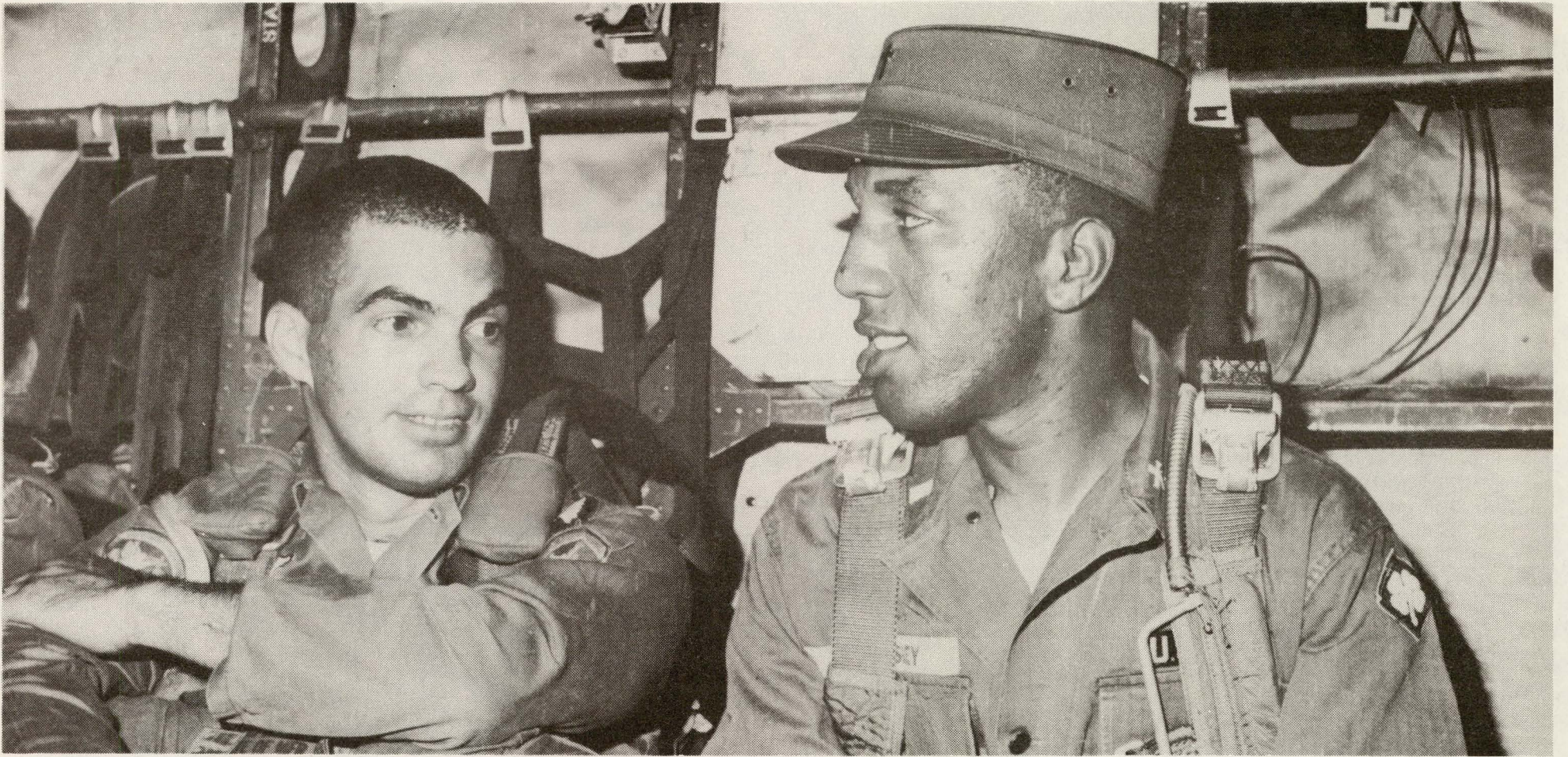
Porter reminds everyone that they "must use the facilities properly, or they won't work properly."



The repairman cometh

Robert Stewart of the Facilities Engineers repairs a leaky faucet at one of Presidios'

quarters. The plumbing team goes out on 50 of these calls each day.



Airborne chaplain

The ministry of Chaplain Paul Easley has taken him many places including into the

air. Hear Easley (right) talks to a soldier preparing to skydive. Easley has served as an

enlisted truck driver and chaplain during his 20 year Army career.

Chaplain Easley

From enlisted man to colonel he's a man of the people

by Tom Donaghy

Few men celebrate life like Chaplain (Col.) Paul Easley. Within his six-foot-plus frame is a ten-foot giant of zest, love, and calm. Behind his face pocked from serving years in the Army is a curious beauty emanating from his heart.

In a crowd he speaks with joy, celebrating the events of life. Alone he talks in strands of rhythm, reminiscing. He finds tears when he brings back things of the past, things of happiness, and tragedy.

Talking about his years in the field, Easley beamed, "You've got to have faith to do it. You've got to have the courage to risk and the ability to care. But that's our business. They send us to war to put our life out on a limb, and there's so much ministry that needs to be done there, so many people that are hurt."

Easley comes from an "outgoing, spiritual family" in Charleston, West Virginia. "I worked with migrants when I came out of high school. I've always wanted to be a missionary. The Holy Spirit leads me. My whole family is spiritual. That's how I grew up, with a loving family and lots of people around the house."

Now one of Presidio's post chaplains, Easley explained that he wanted to go overseas as a missionary in his youth, but had to attend the seminary first.

"When I got out of there, three years later, I saw that this country had a need for ministry too. I stayed."

Easley then spent four years in the Army driving trucks as an enlisted man and during those years he boxed, played football and baseball.

A big, physical man, Easley participated in sports even after he became an officer. He served as chaplain for the American Olympic team at the 1964 games in Tokyo. One of the people who was part of his group then was "Smokin' Joe" Frazier, who he sparred with.

Easley has also sparred with Jimmy Ellis, and Joe Foreman, as well.

Sports was just another way the chaplain could get closer to the people. Easley says he "enjoys being among the people. What you do is as important as what you say."

"I'm not out to convert anybody. My job is not to convert. God converts. The Holy Spirit converts. The key is trying to plug people into it. That's my job..."

His special ministry must have a long extension cord, as he has traveled around the globe. His most difficult assignment, Easley says, was being assigned at the disciplinary barracks at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. "It drained my life. You tend to take on the personality traits of those con-

vinced. And a lot of the guys didn't belong there. They had no way to deal with the pressures of the military, and did something like slap an officer. All of a sudden, they're in confinement."

Easley added that, "You hurt during the times of war. You see the guys you meet in their tents and talk with, and watch writing letters home, or coming to a meeting, and all of a sudden they're killed or wounded. It's like losing a son."

"The hardest part for me is to deal with death. I'm a professional, but it's still hard," he sighed, hiding a tear.

But Easley said, "I like a lot about the military. When I was an enlisted man I was in the honor guard. We had a lot of esprit. I wanted to bring some of that esprit with me when I became a chaplain, an officer."

"All of my time with the Army has been the best times. I liked being with units in the field especially Fort Riley, Kansas and when I was in Korea were the best of those years. I grew a lot with those people."

Easley has spent almost 20 years in the Army, and will be retiring at the end of this month. He thinks he has had a fruitful and rewarding experience in the Army, but is very humble of his accomplishments. "I credit it all to the faith and spirit of my mother, wife, and family."

Thieves

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and stockpile the bikes for sale elsewhere."

Just plain common sense can help people to insure that their bikes and other valuables are not stolen, states Modglin.

Modglin states that the best way to secure bicycles and motorcycles is to chain them to a fixed object.

To provide adequate protection for your bike, Modglin recommends a minimum of 9/32 inch diameter chain approximately four feet in length. Motorcycles should be secured with a six foot chain with a diameter of three-eighths of an inch.

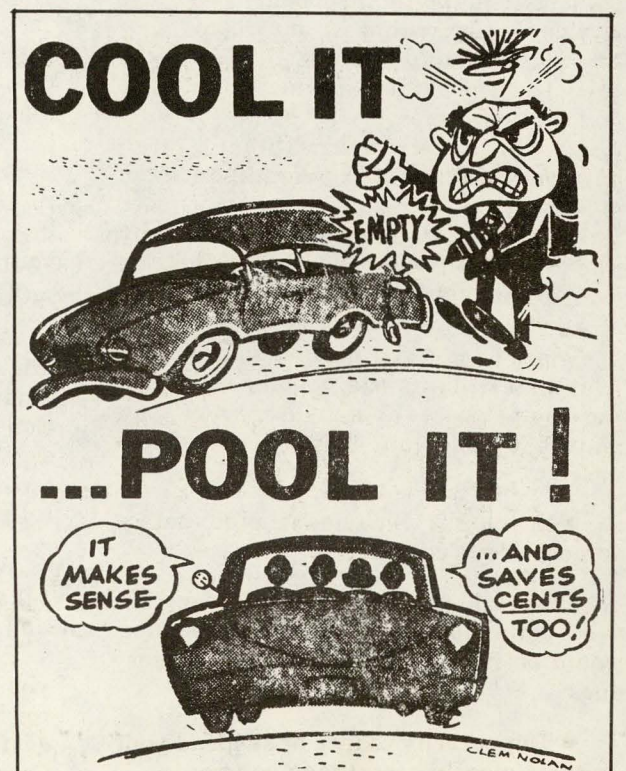
The best chain available is made from an alloy of boron and steel. A nickel-chrome alloy is also effective in securing bikes and motorcycles.

The chain should be coupled with a heavy duty, high security pad-lock with a shackle about one half an inch in diameter and a pin tumbler locking mechanism.

If thieves should break through these devices, chances of the return of the valuables can be increased if they are marked with some type of identification.

"The Crime Prevention section has engraving tools available to help individuals mark their valuables," stated Modglin. "Common wear and tear of an item does not constitute proper legal identification. Items should be marked with an individual's social security or driver's license number."

"The military police are always on patrol, ready to prevent or stop crime from occurring. But the MPs can't be everywhere at once. By following these tips the individual can help protect himself and his valuables," concluded Modglin.



Fort Point, protector of the Bay

It sits under one of San Francisco's most famous landmarks, yet it is not very well known. In fact, Joseph Strauss, designer of the Golden Gate Bridge, included a special arch in the span in order to protect it.

It is a little funny that someone would build something to protect this historic landmark because it was built to protect San Francisco Bay.

The protector of San Francisco Bay is **Fort Point**. Located just off Lincoln Blvd., the fort is an interesting place to spend a couple of hours.

Fort Point was **constructed between 1853 and 1861** to prevent a hostile fleet from entering San Francisco Bay.

Although they were never used, 126 cannons were mounted in the fort which also housed **600 soldiers**. The guns were located in the arched casemate rooms on the north side of the fort.

The south wall of the fort offers an interesting look at the lives of the soldiers who lived there.

The fort's officer's quarters, a kitchen and small hospital were also located here on the second floor of the fort while enlisted soldiers were housed on the third floor.

The soldiers' rooms were heated by small fireplaces which provided some relief from the cold winds coming in from the bay.

The ground floor housed the main powder magazine, a jail and store rooms. Today a museum gives visitors a peek at the forts' past.

The walls of the old fort average in thickness from five to 12 feet. Entrance to the fort was hindered by thick wooden doors and a hallway where marksmen stood behind walls ready to fire at any intruder.

Three granite spiral staircases open onto the courtyard and their placement is considered an architectural and engineering achievement. A lighthouse built in 1864 stands atop one of the stairwells.

Fort Point was abandoned in 1886. The invention of more powerful rifled cannons made the brink fortress obsolete.

In 1900 the fort's muzzle-loading cannons were removed and from 1933 to 1937 it was used as a base of operations for the building of the Golden Gate Bridge.

World War II brought new life to Fort Point as 100 soldiers manned searchlights and rapid-fire cannons mounted on the top of the fort as part of the protection for a submarine net stretched across the entrance to the bay.

The fort is now protected by the National Park service and is an established historical site which is **open to the public daily free of charge**.

If you are looking for a place to spend a few hours, pick up a history lesson, get an unusual view of the Golden Gate Bridge or a panoramic view of San Francisco, drop by Fort Point.



Bay's protector

Fort Point sits on the California coast overshadowed by the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco's most famous landmark. The old

fort is a good place to spend a few hours learning about history or taking in one of its many views of the area.

Don't let it happen

Foreclosure

With rising prices, financial problems could make it difficult for military homeowners to make their monthly mortgage payments. According to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), however, homeowners don't have to lose their homes.

If you're experiencing difficulty meeting your monthly payments, visit or telephone your mortgage holder as soon as possible. Discuss your problem with the lender and suggest a plan for getting your payments back on schedule.

Lenders may be able to offer recommendations but you must help prepare a plan that will eventually make it possible for you to make those monthly mortgage payments on time. Some lenders may offer to:

- Develop a repayment plan before foreclosure is considered.

- Rework your mortgage under certain conditions. The unpaid balance would be increased by the amount overdue.

- Temporarily reduce or suspend your regular monthly mortgage payments.

- Or have more mortgage loans insured by HUD/FHA assigned to HUD under certain circumstances.

Lenders may advise homeowners who feel they will not be able to make monthly mortgage payments within a reasonable amount of time to protect their investment by selling or prevent foreclosure by signing their property over to the lender. These actions should be considered only as a last resort to protect your future credit rating.

Other agencies which may advise or assist homeowners in keeping their homes include: HUD/FHA if they insured the loan, Veterans Administration if they guaranteed the loan, local organizations offering credit counseling, credit unions, labor unions, and some religious or social services agencies.

Whatever action you as a homeowner take, try to avoid foreclosure if possible and protect your future credit rating.

A booklet, "Having Problems Paying your Mortgage?" offers more suggestions for homeowners. It may be obtained at no cost from the Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.



It isn't over yet

The rainy weather of a week ago caused the ground around the Presidio to be extremely soggy and easily damaged. The ruts shown here were caused when members of Company D, 864th

Engineers drove vehicles onto the north end of the post parade field. Caution and care should be used when the ground is soggy to prevent damage. The engineers repaired the damage this week.

Sports

All Army team practices here

The All-Army Basketball Training Camp is currently under way at the Presidio.

Sixteen of the finest ball players in the United States Army will be competing for twelve coveted berths, to form the All-Army Basketball Team.

Replacing Hal Fischer as coach of the All-Army Team is Mr. **Jim Weaver**. Weaver is no stranger to the coaching circle having coached college basketball for seven years and pro ball for one year.

Team members participating from the Presidio are **2dLt. Gary Winton** of Sixth Army and **Pfc Edward Leftwich**, of the 170th MP Co.

The team will be defending their Interservice Championship at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

During their training period, the All-Army Team will compete against some of the top amateur teams in California, including the following tournaments:

Manteca Tournament of Champions Feb. 2-3 and Feb. 9-10, 1980.

Reno Holiday Tournament, Feb. 16, 17 and 18. Practice games to be played at the Main Gym are scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 27 starting at 2 p.m. and Jan. 31 with a tipoff at 8 p.m. Future games will be announced at a later date.

864th, USAG take crowns

The intramural basketball league championships were finally determined with 864th Engineers (6-2) coming out on top in League No. 1 and USAG No. 2 (6-0) in League No. 2.

The 864th clamped down their crown by defeating the FBI, 74-52. The game was "nip and tuck" most of the way until 864th got their running game on track, causing the FBI to run out of gas.

USAG No. 2 gained the League No. 2 championship crown, and remained the sole undefeated team, by defeating USACC 44-23. USAG No. 2's Bob Patterson scored game high honors with 16 points.

In the game of the winless LAIR (1-6) defeated hapless 504th MP (0-7) 52-41. LAIR's Ron Peterson and John Duppstadt scored 20 and 12 points respectively to lead the winner out of the cellar.

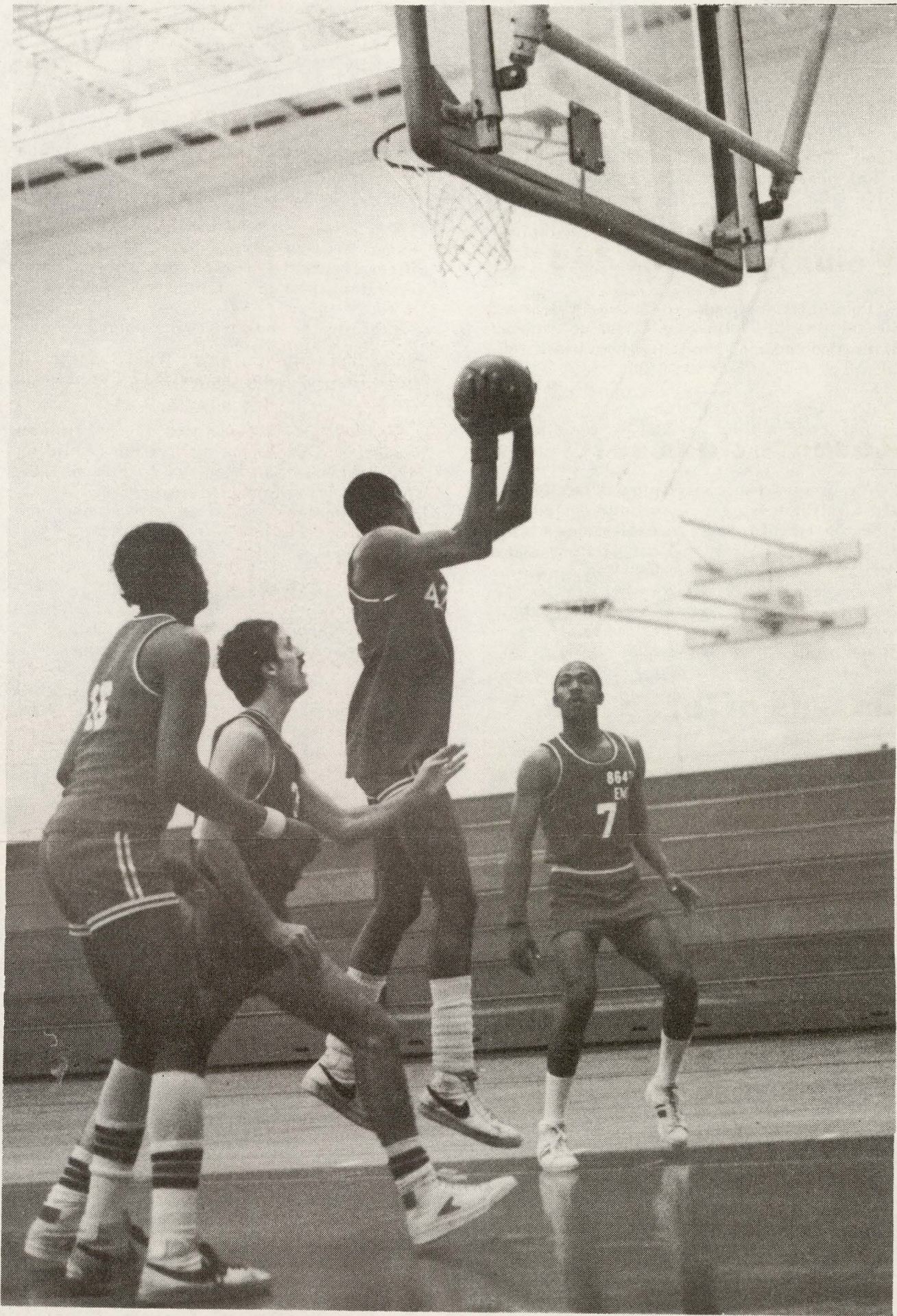
Basketball League Standings

LEAGUE NO. 1	Won	Lost
864th ENG	6	2
6th Army	5	3
USAG No. 1	5	3
170th MP Co	5	3
666 Radar	4	4
LAIR No. 1	3	5
FBI	3	5
LAMC No. 3	3	5
LAMC No. 1	2	6
LEAGUE NO. 2		
USAG No. 2	7	0
LAMC No. 2	6	1
16th AG	5	2
USACC	4	3
DENTAC	3	4
Public Health	2	5
LAIR No. 2	1	6
504th MP BN	0	7

Horn survives in squash action

Bob Horn survived an upset bid in the Post Championship Squash Tournament by defeating **Bill James** in the "if" game of the finals. Upset by a 3-1 loss earlier in the second round to James, Horn regained his championship form by defeating a tough opponent, **Joseph Egan**, 3-0.

Although James played very well, Horn was not to be denied, winning the finals 3-1 and the necessary "if" game 3-0.



It's mine

Jacob Wilson of the 864th Engineers grabs a rebound in a game against LAMC No. 2. The

864th captured the league No. 1 crown with a 6-2 record. (Photo by Karl Gaffney.)

Roll-offs slated to select team

A month long roll off will be held to selected bowlers for teams to represent the post teams in the Forces Command Bowling Tournament to be conducted at Fort Carson, Co., April 28 through May 2.

The men's and women's teams will be chosen as the result of roll offs to be held at the Presidio Bowling Center during February and March.

The roll-offs will be open to active duty men and women who are carrying established averages of 170 and 120 respectively.

The roll-offs will consist of 18 games to be rolled in three series of six games each. Dates for the contest are Feb. 11, 13, 15, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29 and March 3, 5, and 7. The four individuals with the highest pinfall in the 18 game series will make up the team. Each team will also have two alternates.

A fee of \$1.50 for each set of six lines will be charged for bowlers in the roll offs.

Soldiers who cannot participate in the roll off because of temporary duty at another installation or hospitalization may apply for consideration upon their return to duty at the Presidio. They must have evidence supporting their absence to be considered. Applications for such consideration may be made to Morale Support Activities.

Soldiers arriving at the Presidio subsequent to the roll off may challenge members of the teams for positions on the team.

Each challenger must present evidence of a current sanctioned average (21 or more games) equal to or higher than that of the qualifying lowest member of the team. The challenge will be decided on total pinfall. No one may have more than one challenge and a member displaced from a team will have no recourse.

More information may be obtained from SFC Floyd Hawkins of the Presidio Sports office, ext. 5032 or 4120.

Presidio News Notes

We need you

The **Star Presidian** is in need of your help. **Delivery of the paper to some quarters in the Pershing Housing Area may soon be interrupted** due to the loss of persons to help distribute the newspapers.

If you live in the 1524, 1526, 1549, 1553, 1557, 1559, 1561 or 1563 areas and can help in this effort please contact Mrs. Mary Schuster at 561-5156.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as **welcomers** in the Pershing Housing Area. If you are interested and can spare a few hours each week please contact ACS at 561-5156.

Resume class set

A course on **resume writing** will be offered at the LAMC Education Center, Building 1007. For your convenience, classes are offered as a brown bag special from 12:10 to 1 p.m. and repeated at 4:10 p.m. The classes were held Jan. 28, 29 and 30. Students can come to either session. The fourth class will be arranged for the student's own resume. For further information or optional times, please call 561-3692/4030.

Classes offered

The Presidio Recreation Center is offering the following classes to all military personnel and their dependents: Monday at 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays 2-5 p.m., **Sewing classes**; Tuesdays at 8 p.m. its **Disco/Ballroom Dance Classes**, Thursdays, **Belly Dancing** classes start at 7 p.m., as well as **Pool instruction**; and **Guitar Classes** are available at 7 p.m.

Rock & Roll sessions held each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock featuring a professional D.J. using top-quality sound equipment.

Alpine Meadows has discount ski lift tickets for military personnel and their dependents which are good for Sunday through Friday, at the price of \$10 per day per person. There are no discounts available for Saturdays. These tickets are available at the Recreation Center ITT office.

Tahoe Donner offers ski lift discounts to active duty, retired and reserve personnel, good only Monday through Friday, effective until Mar. 28 at \$8 per person per day. Pick-up the discount coupons at the Recreation Center ITT desk.

For additional information about the above

items and other Recreation Center activities, please call the center after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available at the Recreation Center after 4 p.m. daily.

Essay contest set

An **essay contest** is being held in conjunction with **Black History Week** for all Presidio personnel.

A \$75 Savings Bond will be awarded to the winner in each of the following categories: **officers, enlisted personnel, DA civilians, dependents** over 18 years, and dependents under 18.

Interested persons may write on one of three topics: **Black History Week: What It Means to Me; A Time for Reflection; or Past, Present, and Future.**

Essays must be submitted to the **Human Resources Development Division, Building 909, Presidio of San Francisco by Feb. 6, 1980.** Contestants should include their name, telephone number, social security number and category on each essay.

Now serving brunch

The Presidio Officer's Club has added something new to its Champagne Sunday Brunch. The club now offers eggs and omelettes cooked to order, and Deli-ham in addition to its regular bill of fare. Free Shirley Temple drinks are available for children under 12. Brunch is offered between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

"Party Line" will provide live disco music every Friday in the Attic. Free snacks are served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. A patio barbecue is set up for cooking your own Bachelor or Bachelorette burgers as well as a New York Steak Sandwich beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Cookie sale on

Presidio Girl Scouts are currently selling cookies in all post housing areas. The drive will continue through the end of the month.

Top NCOs to meet

There will be a meeting of the Presidio of San Francisco Sergeant Majors Association at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 30, in the Enlisted Club, Bldg. 135. All Sergeant Majors are encouraged to attend.

Movies

Presidio

Jan. 26—The Billion Dollar Hobo (G)
Jan. 27—Starting Over (R)
Jan. 28—Starting Over (R)
Jan. 29—The Fish That Saved Pittsburgh (PG)
Jan. 30—Hardcore (R)
Jan. 31—Avalanche Express (PG)
Feb. 1—Avalanche Express (PG)
Feb. 2—The Golden Voyage of Sinbad (G)
Feb. 2—H. G. Wells' The Shape of Things To Come (PG)
Feb. 3—The Amityville Horror (R)
Feb. 4—The Amityville Horror (R)
Feb. 5—Jaguar Lives (PG)
Feb. 6—Hanover Street (PG)
Feb. 7—Killer Fish (PG)

Schwartz Theater

Jan. 28—"Crimebusters" (PG)
Jan. 29—Moonraker (PG)
Jan. 30—Breaking Away (PG)
Jan. 31—Firepower (R)
Feb. 1—Alien (R) (RE)
Feb. 4—The Billion Dollar Hobo (G)
Feb. 5—Starting Over (R)
Feb. 6—The Fish That Saved Pittsburgh (PG)
Feb. 7—Hardcore (R) (RE)
Feb. 8—Avalanche Express (PG)

NCO-EM club open

Disco with "Doc Webb and Company" is the order of the evening every **Thursday from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.** at the NCO/EM Club.

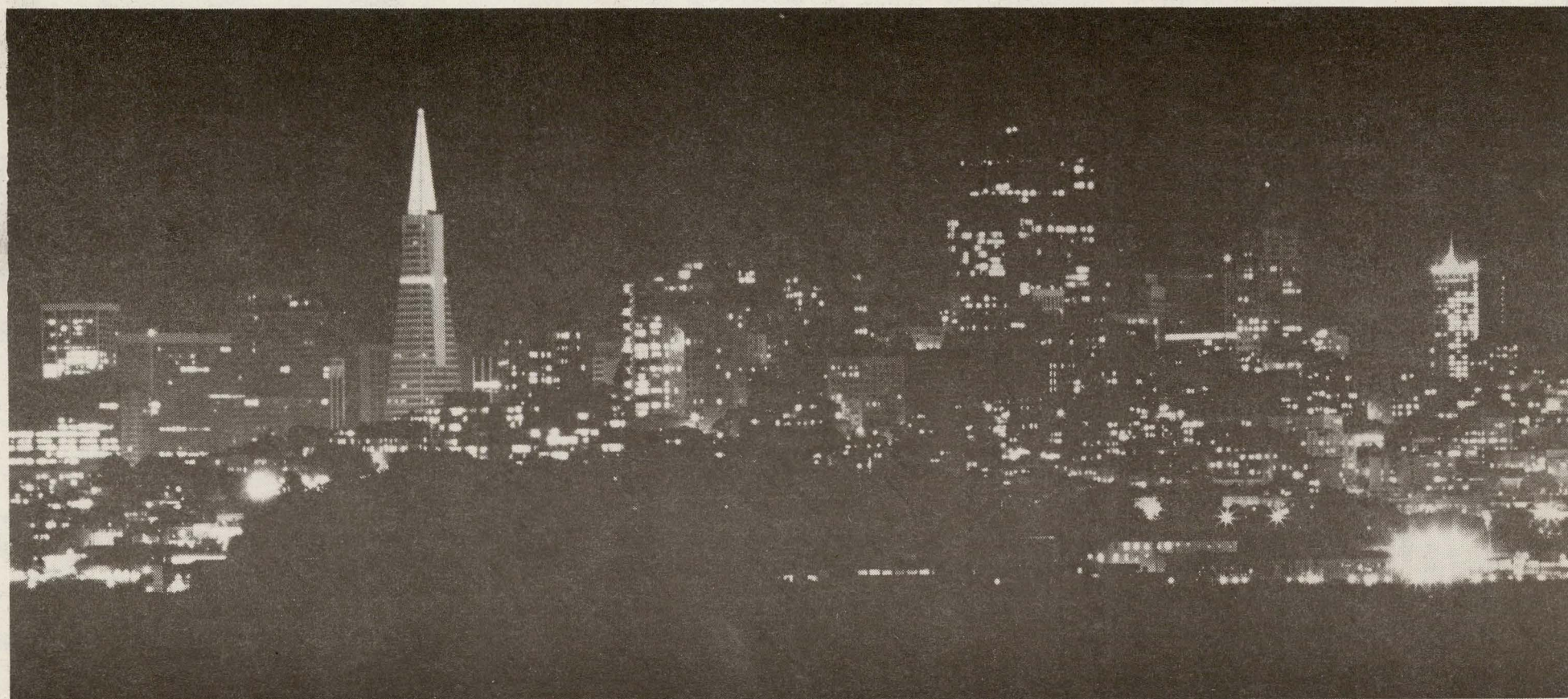
Courtesy award set

Patrons of the Presidio exchange system will have an opportunity to select the systems **most courteous worker** during the month of February. Customers who would like to nominate someone from any of the exchange's outlets may do so by asking store workers for the blank form and filling in the name of their choice for most courteous worker.

Uniforms wanted

Old uniforms, service ribbons and other memorabilia associated with Army life are being sought to be displayed at the California State Fair and the World's Fair in Los Angeles in 1981.

Anyone having items they'd like to donate should contact: Dr. Ray Ferguson, Project Director, International Costume Exhibition at P. O. Box 86, Burlingame, Calif. 94010.



Twinkle-twinkle big city

John Green nabbed this weeks photo of the week with a spectacular shot of San Francisco's skyline. The Star Presidian welcomes

all photographs, by amateurs and professionals, for consideration as Photo of the

Week. Deadline for entries is noon on Tuesday.

Quake causes minor damage

Last Saturday's earthquake, which measured 5.6 on the Richter Scale, caused some minor damage to one post facility and continued or stronger quakes could seriously disrupt post communications.

According to Mr. Charles F. Dasey, Jr., Public Affairs Officer for Letterman Army Medical Center, the hospital "sustained some, thin, surface cracks in nonweight supporting walls. No significant or structural damage has been observed. Our logistics division and the post

Facilities Engineers have begun a complete damage assessment, which will indicate whether there has been any structural damage which has gone unnoticed up to now. This assessment will be completed in about two weeks."

Although there has been little damage caused by the recent earthquake activity, Presidians are warned that continued action or a quake of a greater in magnitude than 5.6 might disrupt telephone service on the post.

According to Lt. Col. Charles Gorlinski, Direc-

torate of Communications-Electronics, "in the event of a severe earthquake the Presidio can expect major impairment or even loss of telephone communication."

Gorlinski stated that in the event of the total loss of the telephone system, the post would rely on its high frequency radio station and post mobile radios until phone service was restored.

The earthquake action of last week caused no disruption to telephone service.

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Black History Week events set

Army leadership to visit post

Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., and Brig. Gen. Hazel Johnson, Chief of the Army Nurse Corps, will be the guest speakers at two Black History Week programs.

The post will observe Black History Week Feb. 8-15 as part of a nation-wide salute to Black Americans for their contributions to the nation.

The Secretary of the Army will be the main speaker during ceremonies at the post theater on Feb. 13. The program, which begins at 8:30, will also include presentation of awards to winners of the Black History Week Essay contest. (See related story on page 6.)

Johnson will help get the week underway on Feb. 11 at a luncheon in the Presidio Officers' Club beginning at 11:15.

The luncheon will also feature music by the Sixth Army Band, and a special presentation by the "Vocal Workshop" which will trace the history of Black music in America with special emphasis on spirituals.

Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased at a cost of \$4.85 from the following individuals:

Name	Location	Phone
SFC Dorothy Maney	Bldg. 39	561-2943
Ms. Bertha Bies	Bldg. 650	561-5841
SSgt. Mary Allen	Bldg. 909	561-5045
SSgt. Oda Hunt	Bldg. 558	561-3852

A special ethnic luncheon is also planned for Feb. 13 at the post NCO/Enlisted Club beginning on noon with the "Easy Day Jazz Group" performing for patrons.

The Presidio Playhouse's production of "Purlie Victorious" will conclude the week opening on Feb. 15 at 8 p.m.

The play, which combines humor with black and white stereotypes in a laughable look at the old south, will run through March 9. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8 p.m. and on Sunday at 7 p.m. There will be no performance on Feb. 24 or Mar. 2.

Tickets for the play cost \$3 and may be purchased at the Playhouse Monday through Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. and at the door 30 minutes before performances.

The entire Presidio community is invited to participate in the Black History week events.

Share a ride, it's a lot cheaper

by Mike Christy

The soaring cost of gasoline, and predictions pointing to a doubling of the current prices by the mid-eighties, is causing more and more commuters to look at ridesharing.

Ridesharing can be carpools, vanpools, casual carpools, public transportation, park-n-ride or any other energy efficient form of transportation to and from work.

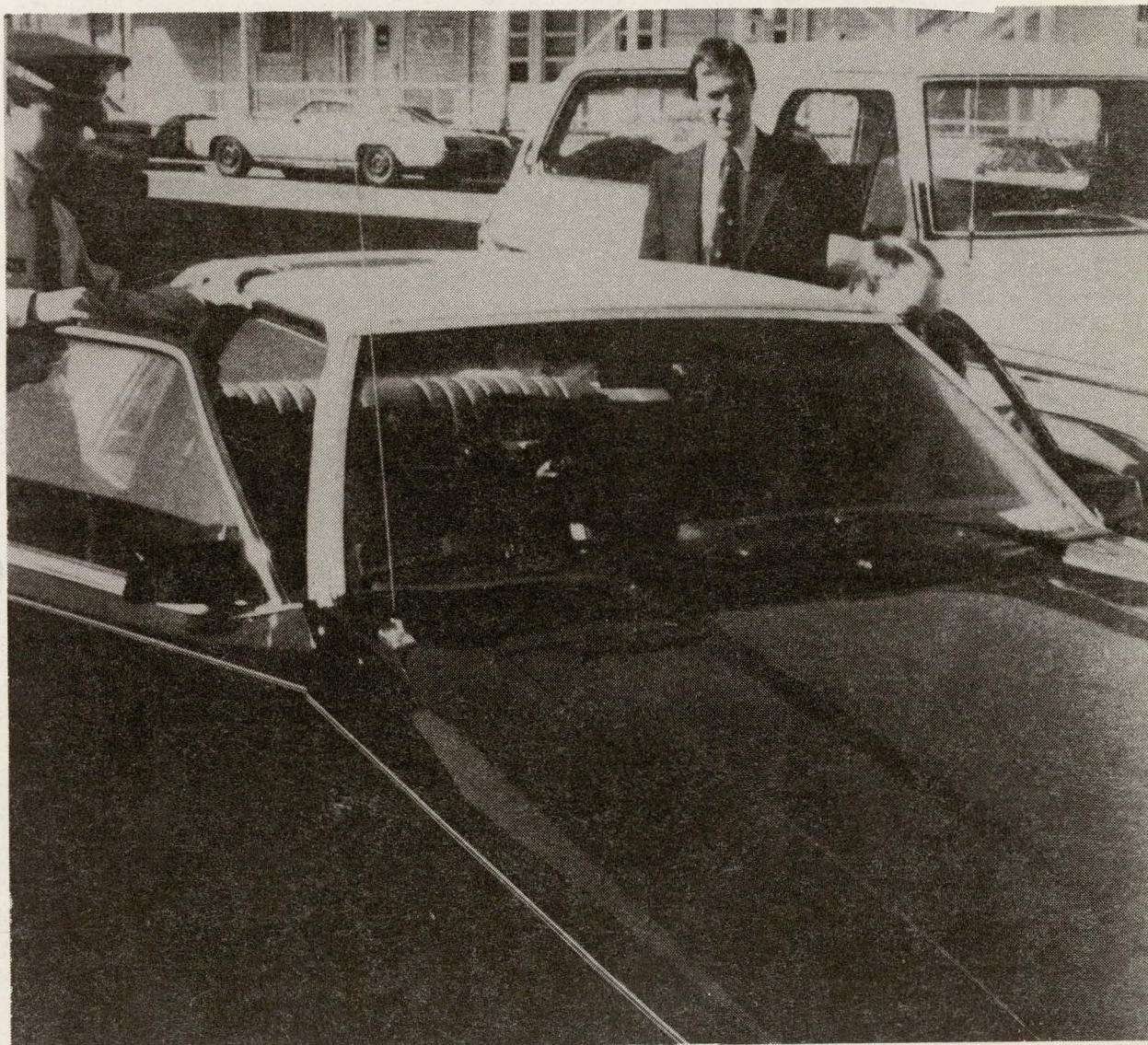
Vanpooling, a form of ridesharing, was discussed at the quarterly meeting of the post Energy Conservation Council by Ms. Cathy Gerwig, a representative from Rides For Bay Area Commuters, Inc. Rides, as it is called, is a non-profit corporation designed to promote ridesharing in the ten county San Francisco Bay Area. It is publicly funded by CALTRANS and the State Energy Commission.

According to Gerwig, "Vanpooling offers the commuter economical alternatives to the single occupant privately owned automobile, while at the same time conserving gasoline and reducing road congestion and air pollution."

"Vanpools," she says, "are 10 to 15 neighbors in vans commuting together to work. They provide riders a combination of low cost, on-time performance and door-to-door express service that can't be matched."

"Cutting the cost of commuting and saving gasoline are our primary goals," says Gerwig. According to her figures, each vanpool eliminates more than seven cars from rush hour traffic and saves an average of 5000 gallons of fuel each year.

Vanpool fares depend upon the number of people in the van and the distance traveled, she stated. "Monthly fares range from \$36 each for 14 passengers traveling 30 miles round trip to \$65 each for 11 passengers traveling 100 miles." She added that for the typical rider making a 75 mile round trip, the cost



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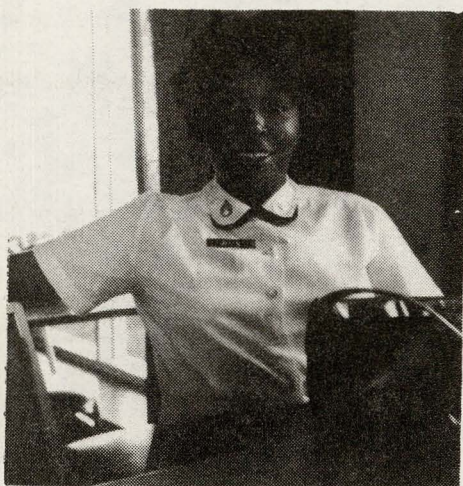
With the raising cost of gasoline hundreds of Presidians have started car pooling their way

to work. Here, three members of Public Affairs Office prepare to share a ride.

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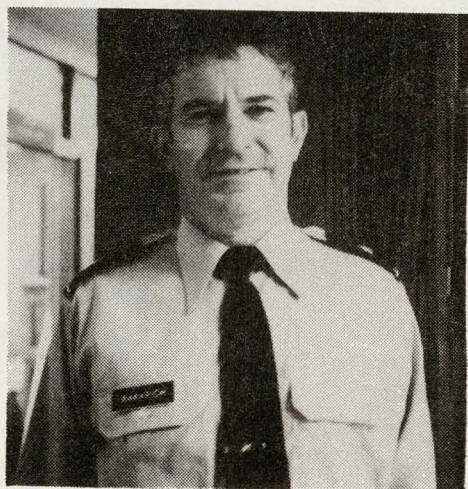
Ramblin' Sam

Do you think special ethnic events achieve their purpose?



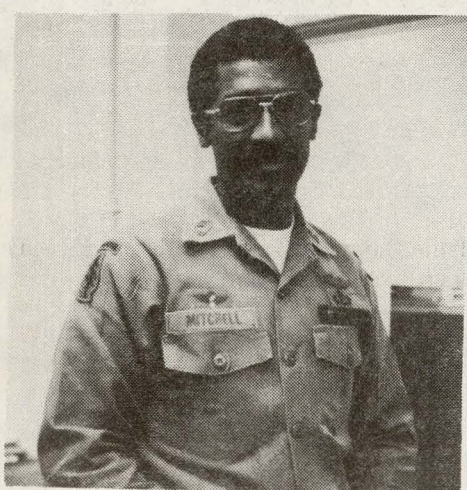
SSgt Mary Ann Allen, HRDD—"Yes, because it serves as an educational purpose to all ethnic groups. It also forms a cohesion between different members of the military. It stresses that there are differences among people and that's what makes this country so great."

Brig. Gen. Michael Bakarich, Chief of Staff 6th Army—"The Ethnic Events will achieve their purpose if they are properly planned, organized, executed, and supported."



Sp5 Linda Pallares, CID 6th Region—"Yes, it proves to be a great learning experience as long as people are encouraged to participate other than the minority being recognized. The events are for everyone's participation."

Sgt Gwendolyn Goldbeck, HRDD—"Yes, it gives people the opportunity to take pride in accomplishments and achievements of other cultures. The Ethnic events or special activities can be enjoyed by everyone."



SFC Eugene Michell, HQ Commandant—"No, the special programs tend to keep the races separate. The programs should not be aimed at one group but to the populous. Man should use history as building blocks for the future in assisting everyone to a better way of life."

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"WHAT DO WE DO IN A CASE OF A PERFECT SOLDIER?"



Reader Opinion

Dear Editor:

During my perusal of your recent January 25 1980 issue, I was amazed to come across a headline which emblazoned—"Lawyers put on soldier's side." The article following the headline was an adequate attempt to explain the new Trial Defense Service (TDS). However, the gist of the article, although somewhat caveated, was in general support of the sentiments expressed by the headline, i.e., prior to September 1, 1979, a military accused may not have been really comfortable trusting his military defense counsel since this counsel worked for and was rated by the Staff Judge Advocate. I strongly object to the negative connotation derived from your headline.

I have been a military defense counsel in CONUS and Viet Nam. I never felt, nor was it at anytime indicated to me by my superiors, that I should have been less than diligent in the defense of my clients. As a Staff Judge Advocate, I have never been inspired to interfere with a defense counsel's handling of a case, nor have the commander's I worked for, personally or through me, attempted to do so. I believe my experiences have been the norm. Simply stated, only a fool would indulge in improper interference (overtly or covertly) in a defense counsel's handling of a case. The sanctions for improper interference, which always existed, are quite severe. You can be assured that counsel would not hesitate to blow the proverbial whistle. I always felt that it was better to have a diligent and competent defense counsel than a weak one. The latter kind always caused more problems in the long run.

The Trial Defense Service is more than a means to alleviate, cos-

metically, the appearance of improper influences on defense counsel. It's real benefit is the maximizing of defense counsel resources which accordingly take a great burden off the local Staff Judge Advocate and his commander. For example, if there was a multiple defendant situation at the Presidio prior to the establishment of TDS, the Staf Judge Advocate, with his limited counsel resources, would need to ask the Staff Judge Advocate, Fort Ord, to kindly help by furnishing additional defense counsel. Whether the Fort Ord SJA could help would depend upon his own local defense mission. With TDS, a call to the Regional Counsel at Fort Lewis will result in the quick assemblage of defense counsel resources throughout the western part of the country to support the Presidio, the servicemember and the Army. That, in my opinion, is the real benefit of establishing the Trial Defense Service.

It would appear that your headline requires an apology to all those men and women of the Judge Advocate General's Corp, who prior to September 1, 1979, were always on the side of the soldier while serving as their defense counsel.

Sincerely,
Harvey W. Kaplan
Lieutenant Colonel, JAGC
Staff Judge Advocate

Dear LTC Kaplan,

I apologize to all the men and women of the Judge Advocate General's Corp, who were offended by the headline "Lawyers put on soldier's side."

We intended only to get soldiers to read the story and obviously we have succeeded.

The Editor

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Post recreation prices slashed

by Tom Donaghy

With the prices of things going up and up, there's a place on post where prices are falling.

The Outdoor Recreation Center has just announced price reductions on 18 of their 100 rental items.

According to Ms. Julie Kite, director of the Rec center, the price drop came after the Department of the Army "gave us a gift and asked us to reduce our fees on rental equipment, and that the gift would make up the difference."

Kite said "The grant was given for a period of one year, and we don't know if we'll get another grant next year. Right now, the lower prices are indefinite."

Some of the equipment affected by the price drop include tents, boats, skiing equipment, golf clubs, and back packs, to name a few.

Kite pointed out that none of the larger equipment such as recreational vehicles, campers or speed boats dropped in price.

These larger items also require a deposit before using them, and should be reserved ahead of time.

For instance, the deposit on the big recreational vehicle is \$25, and cost \$22 per day to use. The smaller Cox camping trailer has only a \$10 deposit, and rents for \$4.50 per day.

Active duty soldiers stationed at Presidio may reserve these items 30 days in advance, and must pay the full deposit at the time of reservation.

Active duty personnel from other installations may make reservations 21 days in advance. Retirees may reserve the vehicles 15 days ahead of their planned use.

The center also has two condominiums for lease in the Lake Tahoe area. The first has four bedrooms, and three baths, and can sleep 12 people. The second has three bedroom and baths, and sleeps 10.

The condo contains just about everything you need except food and personal items, explained Kite. "There's cooking utensils, bed linen, toasters, refrigerators, televisions, stoves, washers and dryers, a vacuum, and wood for the fireplace."

The price for the condos is \$25 per night Monday through Thursday, and \$45 per night on Fridays and Saturdays, and any night preceding a holiday.

The same reservation system is in effect for the condominiums as it is for the recreational equipment. However, Presidio Department of

Defense civilian employees are allowed to rent the condos, and can make their reservations 10 days prior to using them.

Kite says, "Right now we're stocked in almost everything. The use of our equipment is seasonal except the condos and the recreational vehicles. People have got to hustle in order to get them, especially in the summertime."



And have a good time

Betty Brown inspects a pair of ski boots before renting them at the Outdoor Recreation Center. Julie Kite, (right) manager,

announced a reduction in rental fees this week.

(Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Carter speaks to nation

State of the Union affects soldiers

President Carter will send legislation to Congress this month calling for the **return of draft registration.**

The President made his announcement during his annual State of the Union address to the Congress on Jan. 24.

The legislation will require all American men, ages 18-26, to sign up. The President will reveal at a later date whether women will be required to register.

During his speech Carter also revealed that he will request a five percent increase in the defense budget for 1980.

Although the speech dealt primarily with foreign affairs, the President did have a number of things to say of interest to soldiers both as defenders of the nation and as private citizens.

"I am determined that the United States will remain the strongest of all nations, but our power

will never be used to initiate a threat to the security of any country or the rights of any human being."

"The region now threatened by Soviet troops in Afghanistan is of great strategic importance: It contains more than two thirds of the world's exportable oil. The Soviet effort to dominate Afghanistan has brought soviet military forces within 300 miles of the Straits of Hormuz, a waterway through which much of the free world's oil must flow..."

"Meeting this challenge will take national will, diplomatic and political wisdom, economic sacrifice and of course, military capability. We must call on the best that is in us to preserve the security of this crucial region."

"Let our position be absolutely clear:

"An attempt by any outside force to gain control of the Persian Gulf Region will be

regarded as an assault on the vital interests of the United States. It will be repelled by use of any means necessary, including military force."

"The men and women of America's Armed Forces are on duty tonight in many parts of the world. I am proud of the job they are doing, and I know you share that pride. I am convinced that our volunteer forces are adequate for our current defense needs.

"The American people are making progress in energy conservation. Last year we reduced overall petroleum consumption by eight percent and gasoline consumption by five percent..."

"The crises in Iran and Afghanistan have dramatized a very important lesson: Our dependence on foreign oil is a clear and present danger to our national security."

"Now we must do more."

Prayer Breakfast set

The Presidio's **National Prayer Breakfast** will be held at 7:30 a.m. Feb. 7 in the new Officer's Club ballroom.

Rabbi Joseph Asher of the Congregation Temple Emmanuel will be the guest speaker for the breakfast.

The Sixth U. S. Army Band will provide music for the occasion which will also feature a duet by 1st Lts. John LaBella and Sandy Efsalffe, post.

The National Prayer Breakfast began in the 1950s during the administration of President Dwight Eisenhower and is observed annually in Washington, D.C. by the President and members of the Congress as well as at American military installations throughout the world.

The entire Presidio community is invited to attend. Tickets for the event are \$3 and can be purchased from section representatives.

Blood drive set for two sites

The first blood drive of 1980 is scheduled for Feb. 12. Two sites have again been selected for the drive, the NCO/Enlisted Club and the Education Center at Fort Scott. The NCO Club will operate from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. with the Education Center open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

According to Linda Cater of the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of San Francisco, "We have a need for Type O positive blood right now. It seems as if all those who needed blood during the holiday season needed O positive. We are very low on this type." All types of blood are needed at all times, she added.

Earthquake

Knowing what to do can save you

by Tom Tiernan

Two strong earthquakes rocked the Presidio and the Bay area last week.

With more quakes predicted in the future, knowing what to do when the building begins to sway can save you and your family.

Whenever an earthquake strikes, it is important to remain calm. Too often, lives are lost unnecessarily because people panic which generally results from not knowing what to do.

What to do

Unless you are in immediate danger stay indoors. Take cover under a desk, table or bench. If no heavy objects are near by stand in a doorway, hall or against inside walls. Stay away from windows, mirror skylights, glass furniture or other objects that may crash or fall.

Do not run outside the building during the shaking. There's greater danger of injury from falling debris and loose electrical wires.

If you are outside, get away from high buildings, walls, power poles and objects that could fall. **Do not run through the streets or alongside buildings.** The points of greatest danger are just outside doorways and close to street side walls. If possible move to an open area, away from the hazard zone.

If in your car, stop in the safest place available, preferably an open area away from buildings or other structures. Once you stop stay in your car.

As soon as the shaking stops prepare to leave your quarters. As you leave, turn off all utilities. If the building has been damaged check to see if water pipes or gas lines are leaking or if electrical wires are shorting. If any of these conditions exist, turn off the utility at the primary control point.

If you smell gas, open all windows and doors. Do not smoke, use matches or other open flame objects.

Take personal items

When you leave your quarters take personnel items such as glasses, dentures, and medications with you.

After an earthquake there may be aftershocks. Although generally weaker than the main quake, some aftershocks, may cause additional damage. Once you have left your quarters do not re-enter them until you receive the approval of the post engineer or other authority.

During an earthquake the senior occupant in each housing complex should insure that all families are aware of the location of the nearest

assembly area. He must also check to see who is present and who is missing plus check the area to assess the damage. This information must be passed to the Emergency Operations Center as quickly as possible. If the telephone is out of order, he should inform the military police patrol in the area. When everyone is outside you should report to the assembly area nearest you. The following are designated assembly areas for the buildings shown.

Where to go

Main Presidio Parade Ground: Buildings 1-299; 500-699; 900-950; and 970-1199.

Paul Goode Athletic Field: Buildings 300-499; 700-899,

Ft. Scott Parade Grounds: Buildings 951-969; 1200-1399,

Golden Gate Reserve Center: Buildings 1400-1599; 1700-1799,

Fort Baker Parade Ground: All military, dependents, and civilians located in the Ft. Baker complex,

Fort Barry firing range—All military, dependents, and civilians located at Forts Barry and Cronkhite.

Persons living at **Camp Parks** and **Hamilton Air Base** should follow the directions of the deputy base commander.

Once you arrive at the assembly area, your name will be taken and placed on the survivor identification list. First aid, temporary shelter, and food and water will also be available at these areas.

If you are off-post at the time of the earthquake don't attempt to return to the Presidio. Instead, comply with the directions of the authorities in the area where you're located.

If part of your family is off-post and part on-post don't attempt to contact the post immediately, or try to call off-post. Telephones, if working, will be tied up with emergency messages. When things have settled down a bit, try to contact family members through the Disaster Inquiry Service. More than likely, they'll have information on the condition and location of

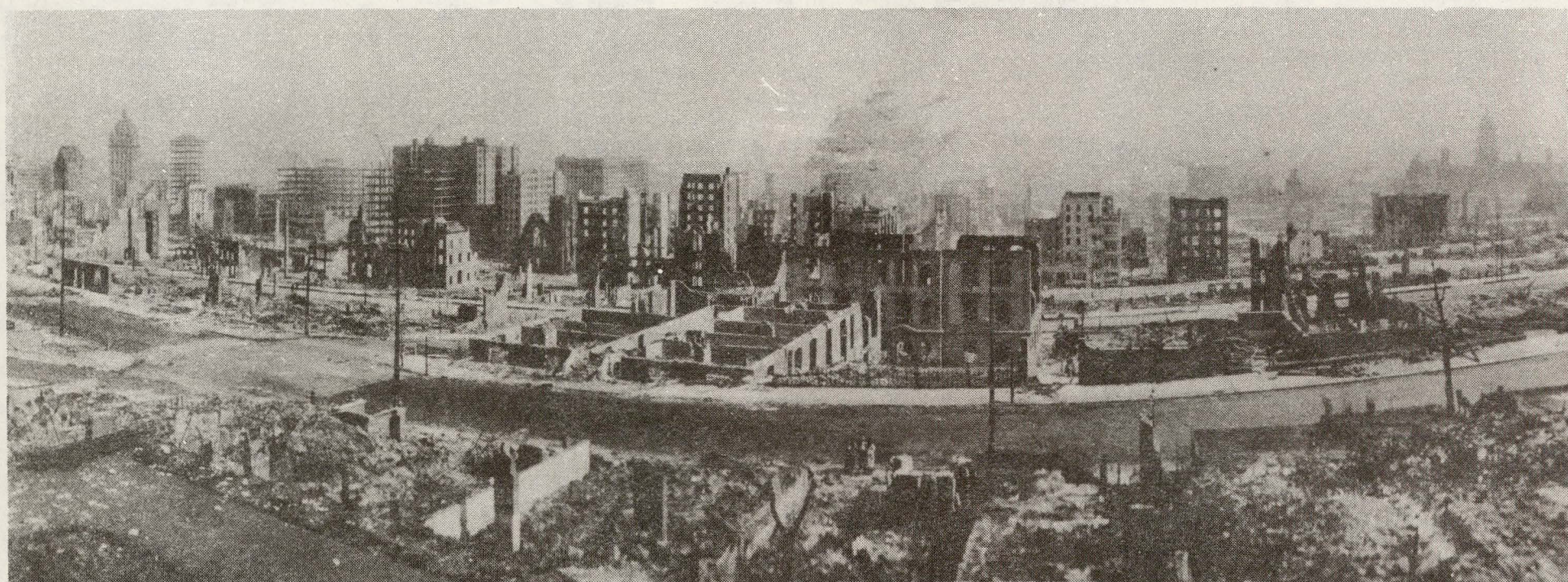
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And the walls came tumbling

These officers quarters were wrecked after the big 1906 quake that crumbled Presidio dwellings, and many like them throughout the Bay Area. Knowing what to do in case

another of these giant quakes strikes again can save your life. Scientists predict major earthquake in the next ten years. (Photo courtesy of the Presidio Army Museum)

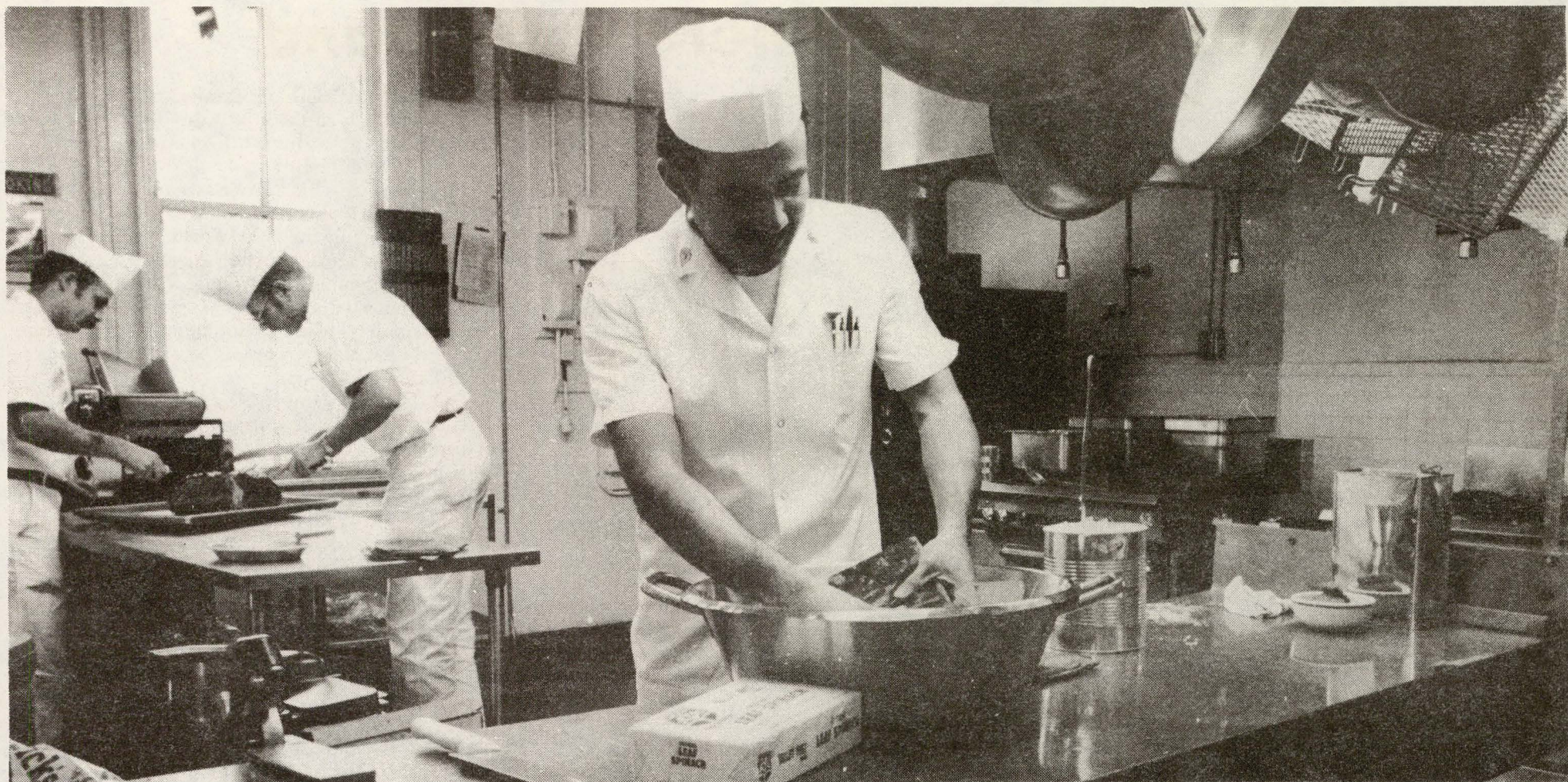


As far as the eye could see

The city of San Francisco lies in ruin following the 1906 earthquake. Most of the damage resulted from fires that ignited after the quake than from the actual tremor, which

measured 8.3 on the Richter scale. The two larger shakes last week, along with the one in August, 1979 were the strongest to hit the Bay Area since 1911. San Franciscans are under

constant threat of another larger quake predicted to occur in the next 10 years. (Photo courtesy of the Presidio Army Museum)



This isn't the James Beard show

Getting the vegetables ready for 100 diners is a long task. Sp5 Walter Reyes is defrosting a giant block of frozen spinach before the gun

sounds for the next meal. In the background, Sp4s Charles Baker and Gary Philbrick carve some of the 100 pounds of meat consumed by

hungry soldiers at USAG each day. Army cooks are often mistreated by those they serve. (Photo by John Green)

Cooking for an army isn't easy

by Tom Donaghy

"Get me 24 pounds of ground beef, three pounds of onions, 25 and a half pounds of tomatoes, 11 pounds of tomato paste, two gallons of water, and two pounds of these seasonings."

"Heck, what are you trying to do, feed the Army?"

These are the basic ingredients for one meal prepared by the cooks at USAG's dining facility which feeds a hundred people.

The USAG facility serves more than 300 meals a day, explained SFC John Smith, the dining facilities' food service sergeant. "We serve over a hundred pounds of meat a day on the average, with just 10 cooks who run the whole show."

There's an old saying that goes, "The Army travels on it's stomach." It must be true because wherever there are soldiers there are cooks.

Smith said "It takes a special individual to be an Army cook. It's a job of total service, you have to be highly motivated. You have to be friendly and courteous at all times, from the general down to the private. It really takes dedication."

And what Smith says seems to be true. The life of an Army cook is everything but easy.

Compared to other soldiers, cooks have a challenging schedule. Sp4 Sean Craig, a cook at USAG said, "We don't work normal hours. We start cooking breakfast at 4:30 in the morning in order for it to be ready by 5:30. It's a nine hour shift that runs until one in the afternoon. Then we have off to take care of what ever business we have, because you can't take a break when preparing food."

Craig explained the cooks work 12 days without a break, and then get 2 days off. He said, "Most soldiers get eight days a month off, but we get four. And a cook never heard of a holiday, or

comp time. We work Christmas and Thanksgiving just like it was another day except that its even harder because of all the special food we serve."

Cooks are behind the scenes people, largely overlooked or unnoticed. They feel that people expects them to do their jobs, even during holidays, and are unconcerned.

Sp4 Anthony Patterson says that this unconcern "really bothers me. We'd like to sit down with our friends and family and eat a meal, but we can't because we're serving. Don't get me wrong, I like to cook, but people come in the line and start complaining and it upsets me."

There are some side benefits to being a cook, however. Cooks do not pull charge of quarters, funeral, guard, or other details.

Craig noted that cooks only pull barracks duty, "but how can we be mopping the floors when we're down here frying eggs?"

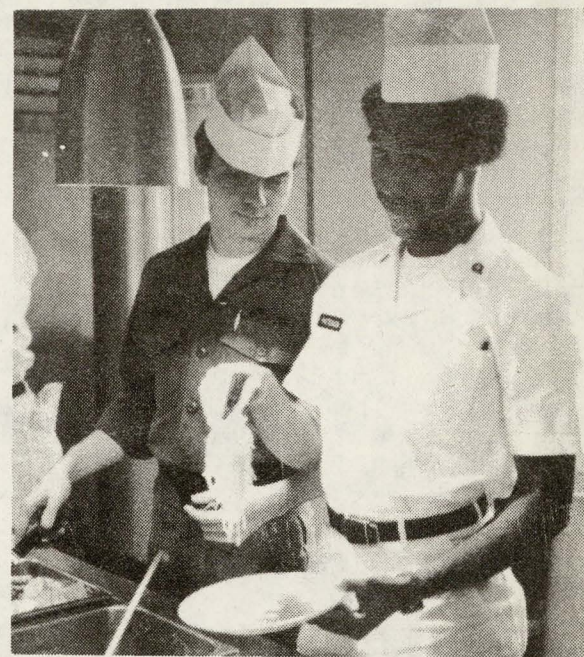
Another benefit to the job is "it's fun. We all like to cook, and there is good money in it on the outside. It's a good career field. We may sound like we're unhappy with all the hours, but cooking is fun," stated Craig.

Of all the food the cooks prepare, soul food is considered the most difficult of all. According to Smith, "It takes seven to eight man hours to clean 30 to 40 pounds of chitterlings. They're really time consuming. Italian food is the second most difficult because of all the chopping required."

The Army has regulations covering every aspect of the soldiers' meal, all the way down to how much oregano is put into the spaghetti sauce. "Army food is cooked the same here as it is

cooked all over the world. But people think cooks have to be perfect. We have bad days too. If we don't cook someone's eggs the way they like them, they go through all these changes instead of asking us to change it. I don't understand people sometimes," concluded Craig.

As you can well see, cooking for an army and keeping it happy is no simple task. It takes long hours and dedication. The next time you go into the neighborhood chow hall, think about it.



Serving it up

Sp4s Steve Freda, Anthony Patterson. USAG cooks serve over 300 hot meals a day. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Earthquake

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your family.

Once the soldier has gotten his family safely to the assembly area, he should report to his unit as quickly as possible.

Every soldier will be needed to help the post recover from the earthquake. Some troops will be assigned to assist in the search and rescue mission, in assessing damage while others will be busy helping with the clean-up or assisting Sixth Army.

In the event of a major earthquake, the Sixth Army has the responsibility for coordinating all military assistance to the civilian community.

In order to provide this assistance, units from throughout the Sixth Army region will be called upon to provide troops and equipment as necessary.

The military effort to help the Bay area recover from the quake will involve not only soldiers, but also Marines, sailors, and airmen, all working together. They'll be providing communication support, conduct search and rescue

operations, assess damage both on-site and by helicopter fly over. First aid, temporary shelter, and other efforts to help the Presidio's neighbors will be provided as they become available.

The entire effort will be coordinated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with state and local disaster relief agencies.

With scientists predicting a major earthquake in the next ten years, knowing what to do when the ground begins to shake, can save the lives of you and your family.

Jarrett, born with a camera in his hand

by Pete Britten

You might say that photography is in S. William Jarrett's blood.

For the color technician and photographer at the post photo lab, **photography has been a family affair all his life.**

"My mother and father were both photographers. On mom's side photography goes back four generations. In his father's family, practice of the art extends back three generations," explains Jarrett.

"It all began in England about 1867 when

members of my mother's family, the Priestley's, started photographing studio portraits and specializing in sailing ship photos as a family business," said Jarrett.

Jarrett traces his father's family from Scotland to Canada where his dad was a lieutenant in the Army during the first World War.

"Mom saw an ad in the Liverpool newspaper for a photographer in Canada. While there she met and married my father, James William Jarrett. Mom has told me what a photo enthusiast he was and how photography led to a marriage proposal."

The Jarretts came to the United States and settled in Southern California in 1922, a year before Jarrett was born.

"I started working for my father and mother and learning photography about 1935," Jarrett recalls. "This was a good opportunity for me and I thoroughly liked what I was doing right away."

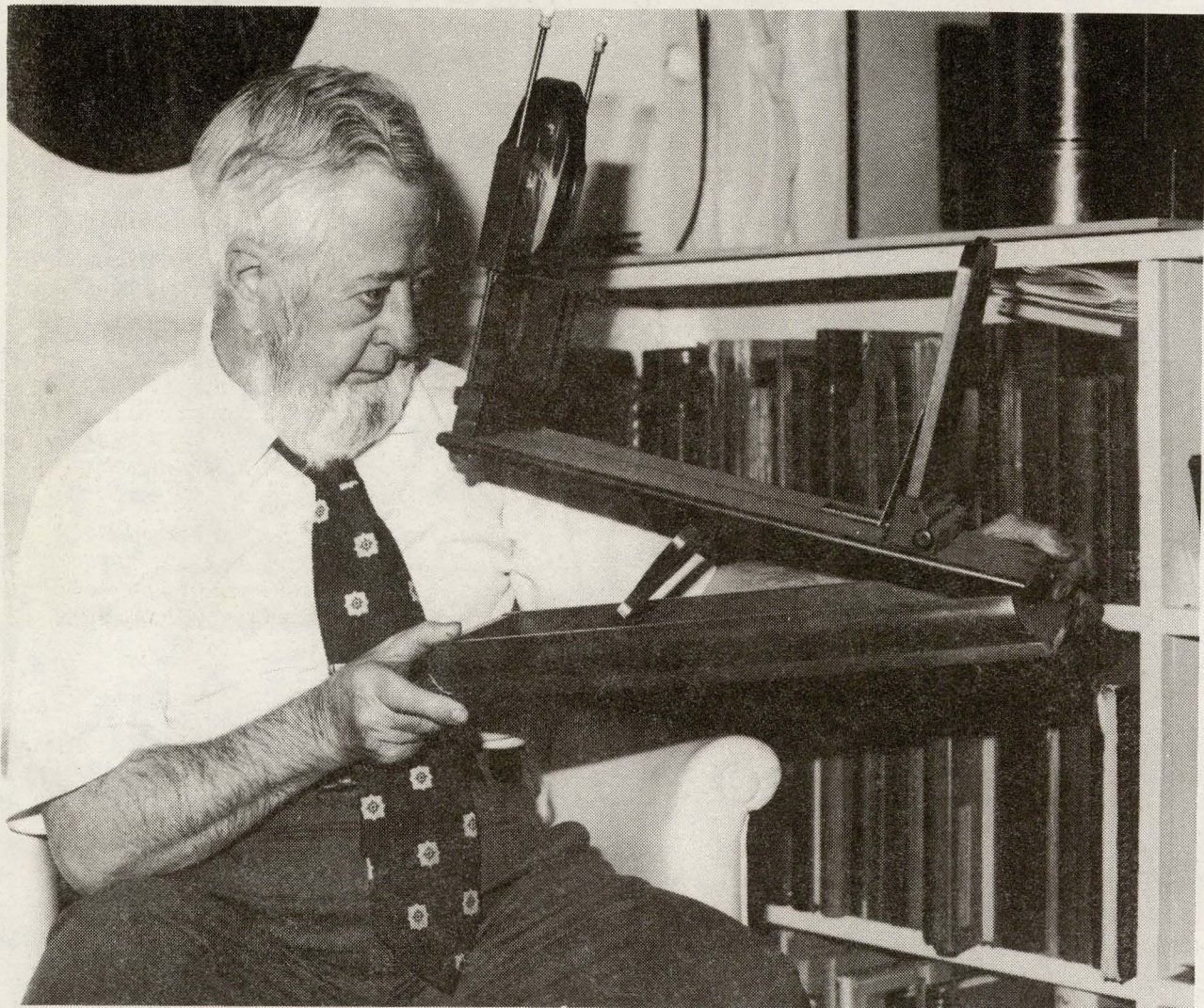
"When the war broke out, naturally I wanted to do my part and fortunately I was assigned as an Air Force combat photographer. My military duty carried me to England, France and Germany."

"After the war, I began working for the family business. We had a pretty successful business," Jarrett emphasized. "I had ambitions of owning my own business so I attended a photography school in Los Angeles. That training lasted from 1947 to 1948. Afterwards, I opened my business in San Francisco where I did commercial, fashion, and theatrical photography."

In mid-1956 Jarrett left his private business to join the Presidio staff. Since that time he has held a number of positions in the post photo lab. However, he enjoys teaching photography most of all.

Jarrett has devoted his free time to the study of photography as an art and science. "I am quite proud of my collection of books on photography that includes over 200 volumes dating back to 1856," he commented. "I get a lot of satisfaction from sharing these books and discussing my group of nearly 100 cameras and projectors."

"Photography has been my life. It's not work when you love the field as I do. I'm awfully glad that my parents fell in love with each other and photography so I could grow up with cameras in my life," Jarrett concluded.



And what do we have here?

S. William Jarrett peers through a stereographoscope from the 1890s. Jarrett, a color technician and photographer for the

post photo lab, carefully handles the antique gadget once used to enlarge early photographs. (Photo by Ken Juber)

USO moves to new quarters

After a one year stint in small emergency quarters due to the razing of its center at the Airline Terminal, the San Francisco USO has moved to a permanent location at 530 Taylor Street, between Post & Geary.

Carrying on its tradition of service and entertainment to the military, made famous worldwide through the years by Bob Hope, the doors of the new facility are open to all soldiers and their dependents in the area to serve their recreational, emotional and information needs.

USO's purpose has always been to help the military forget their problems in peace time and in war; and to help them solve their problems, if

necessary, while at the same time creating a "Home Away From Home" atmosphere where soldiers can feel comfortable, get away from duty stations, and make new friends.

The new center features a lounge with juke box, pool table, pin games, ping pong table, reading room, library, TV room—and always, free cookies and coffee and tea all day and evening. Friendly volunteers are on duty to answer questions about the Bay area.

All types of information is available at the center. You can find out anything from how to ship a cat to Cairo; to how to arrange a tour of the

city. Some free and discount tickets are also available.

Featured on weekends are disco dances with junior volunteers aged 18-25; walking tours; hot dog and hamburger buffets; sandwich night; rap sessions, and free chess and backgammon lessons.

The San Francisco USO has been operating continuously in the Bay area since February 3, 1941. It receives no money from the government but receives funds through the United Way and USO fund raising. It is the only civilian agency exclusively designed to assist the military with information and recreation programs. For more information call 885-0235.

Paint a word portrait



This is the last week for interested persons to submit their entries to the Black History Week essay contest.

A \$75 Savings Bond will be awarded to the winner in each of the following categories: **officers, enlisted personnel, DA civilians, dependents under age 18, and dependents over 18.**

Three subjects have been selected for this year's contest. Interested persons may write on one of the following topics:

Black History Week:
What it Means to Me,
A Time for Reflection, or
Past Present and Future.

Essays must be submitted to the Human Resources Development Division, Building 909, Presidio of San Francisco, **by Feb. 6.** Contestants should include their name, telephone number, social security number and category on their entry.

Share

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works out to less than 3 cents per mile, or \$2.22 a day.

According to Gerwig over 100 vanpools are in operation in the Bay Area. There are currently only two vanpools known to be in operation here at the Presidio.

The first vanpool, put on the road in 1973 by a national chemical-engineering company, has led to more than 200 firms across the United States organizing vanpools for their employees. Recognizing that this particular type of ridesharing is one of the most cost effective and energy saving forms of transportation, many governmental agencies are organizing vanpool programs.

Here at the Presidio, the headquarters commandant, Maj. William A. Vencill, is coordinating a ridesharing program whereby military and civilian employees can better take advantage of vanpools and carpools. Details of the program will be announced soon.

Persons immediately interested in vanpooling can call Rides For Bay Area Commuters by dialing 863-9588. Persons desiring information on carpools may call 861-POOL.

Sports

Rockets vs Spurs for league lead

The DYA Youth Basketball League is turning into a two team race for the championship.

The Presidio Spurs and Rockets are tied for first place. Avenging an earlier loss to the Spurs, the Rockets easily defeated the Spurs 28-19 last week.

The Rockets were lead by **Tony Jett** with 12 points and **Raven Brown** who scored 10 points. **Mike Mechelhoff** tallied 10 points for the losers. In other results last week:

Spurs-30	Treasure Island No. 4-6
Rockets-43	Treasure Island No. 5-14
Oakland Army Base-11	Treasure Island No. 4-9
Spurs-32	Oakland Army Base-16
Treasure Island No. 5-23	Treasure Island No. 4-10

League Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Spurs	5	1
Rockets	5	1
OAB	3	4
T.I. No. 5	2	3
T.I. No. 4	0	6

Roll-offs slated to select team

A month long roll off will be held to select bowlers for teams to represent the post teams in the Forces Command Bowling Tournament to be conducted at Fort Carson, Co., April 28 through May 2.

The men's and women's teams will be chosen as the result of roll offs to be held at the Presidio Bowling Center during February and March.

The roll-offs will be open to active duty men and women who are carrying established averages of 170 and 120 respectively.

The roll-offs will consist of 18 games to be rolled in three series of six games each. Dates for the contest are Feb. 11, 13, 15, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29 and March 3, 5, and 7. The four individuals with the highest pinfall in the 18 game series will make up the team.

A fee of \$1.50 for each set of six lines will be charged for bowlers in the roll offs.

Soldiers who cannot participate in the roll off because of temporary duty at another installation or hospitalization may apply for consideration upon their return to duty at the Presidio. They must have evidence supporting their

absence to be considered. Applications for such consideration may be made to Morale Support Activities.

More information may be obtained from SFC Floyd Hawkins of the Presidio Sports office, ext. 5032 or 4120.

Battle on for post crown

The double elimination basketball intramurals play-offs, to determine the eight positions for the post championships, have now been underway for a week.

In League No. 1's play-offs the first round action left four teams in the winner's bracket, 864th Engineers, USAG No. 1, 170th MP Co., and Sixth Army.

The 864th ENGRS defeated LAMC No. 3 with a balanced scoring attack, 78-55. USAG No. 1, behind Rich Thomas' 18 point performance blew by LAIR No. 1 57-36, and Sixth Army defeated 666th Radar Squadron 52-41.

In the loser's bracket the FBI defeated LAMC No. 3 59-40 while 666th Radar Squadron downed LAIR No. 1 71-60. Keeping both teams alive.

In League No. 2 action, the big game will be between USAG No. 2, who earlier defeated USACC in a squeaker 36-35, against 16th AG, who easily handled LAMC No. 2 60-42.

In the loser's bracket, given the best chance to reach the finals is LAMC No. 2. The corpmen finished the regular season in second place. In order for them to reach the finals, they have the long and hard task of getting by PHS, the winner of USACC and LAIR No. 2, and the loser of USAG No. 2 and 16th AG games.

Cal. tourney set for golfers

The Seventh Annual California State Military Golf Championship will be played Feb. 22-23 at the Rancho Del Rey Golf Course in Atwater Calif.

Entres are limited to the first 144 golfers. A \$50 fee includes three rounds of golf, three meals and trophies.

Participants must be a member of the Armed Forces on active duty and stationed in the state.

Entries must be received by Feb. 15 in order to participate in the event. Forms can be obtained by contacting Mr. Jim Ragasa at the Forst Scott gym, 561-2070.

Undermanned Aquarians lose

An undermanned Presidio Aquarius Swim Club was sunk by the Napa and Dolphins of Marin swim clubs Saturday in their first home meet of the season. The final score was Presidio 89½, the Dolphins 166, and Napa 205½.

The Dolphins took 17 first place finishes, to Napas' 13, and Presidio's four, yet the Marin team lost to Napa because they also lacked depth.

Presidio winners were:

The 11-12 boys and girls 400 yard freestyle relay team of **Polly Slisz, Robin Wicks, Mark Russo, and Billy Rainaldo.**

Lisa Bell, who won the 10 and under 100 yard butterfly.

Polly Slisz won the 200 yard freestyle in the 11-12 age group.

And the girls 11-12 400 yard medley relay of **Robin Wicks, LeAnn Langiers, Polly Slisz and Ann Castillo.**

Presidios' coach Don Perez praised the home teams efforts, but lamented that there is a great need for more swimmers. He said, "It was a good

meet, the kids did better than expected. But we're hurting in the older age groups, especially the boys. We'd like to see as many kids as possible come out to swim.

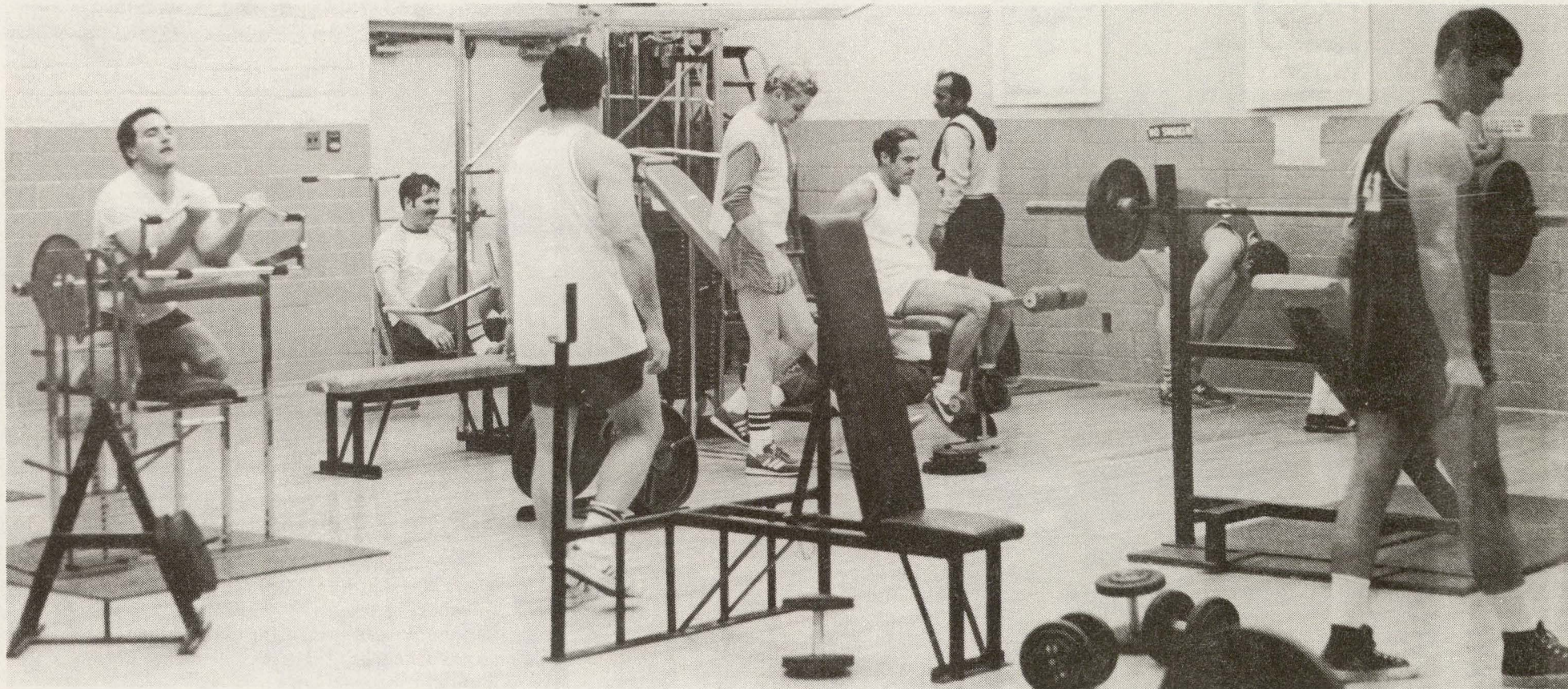
In an earlier meet at Vallejo, 12 Aquarians placed to take home honors in the class B-A competition. Presidio had three individual winners, who also set new records in their events. They were:

Wendy Siefert captured the girls 6 and under 25 yard freestyle. Her time was 19.72.

Mark Russo won the boys 11-12 100 yard individual medley with a new "A" time of 1.13.2. He also captured a new "AA" record by winning the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 1.01.6.

Polly Slisz set the new "AA" times in the girls 11-12 age group, taking the 100 yard individual medley in 1.13.04, and the 100 yard freestyle in 1.01.56.

Perez said that the Aquarians are holding a membership meet at the LAMC pool on Feb. 10, from 1 till 4 p.m. For more information on the meet contact either coach Don Perez or Morgan Kulla at 561-3673 between 4 and 6 p.m. weekdays.



Building muscle men

Working out and staying healthy is a daily routine for these people at the weight room at the main gym. The sporting facility offers

many ways to stay fit and trim during these cooler winter months. There is a wide variety of equipment on hand for use, and everyone is

encouraged to participate.

(Photo by Carl Gaffney)

Presidio News Notes

Learn to dance

Beginning and intermediate guitar classes are being offered at the Recreation Center at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. every Thursday for soldiers and their dependents over 19 years of age. Also on Thursdays at 7 p.m. billiards instruction and Belly dancing classes are available.

A **Valentine Dance** will be held at the Recreation Center Feb. 13 from 9 p.m.-midnight featuring a DJ and refreshments.

The Recreation Center will sponsor a **tour to Hearst Castle and San Dimeon** Feb. 16 departing 8 a.m. for a cost of \$6. The tour is limited to active duty and their families, and to retired and reserve personnel on a space available basis.

Valentine banquet set

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will sponsor a **Valentine Banquet** Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fort Mason Officers' Club. Dr. J. P. Anne, guest professor at Golden Gate Seminary, will be the main speaker for the event. Reservations for the dinner must be made by Feb. 8 by calling 561-2527 or Ms. Brenda Finch at 668-1638.

Runner to speak

The **Letterman Army Wives' Club's** next luncheon will be held Feb. 14 at noon in the Presidio Officers' Club. The featured speaker will be Mr. Walter Stack, marathon runner, swimmer and author. At 72, Mr. Stack has run in more than 100 marathons, 90 of which were 26 miles long. Stack is a well-known Bay Area personality who swims daily in the frigid waters of San Fran-

cisco Bay. He has recently appeared on the Johnny Carson Show where he caused quite a stir with the censors. There will also be a mini-fashion show featuring fashions for all sporting seasons. The fashions are courtesy of the Marina Sports Shop. This is the club's first annual "Take a Husband to Lunch" luncheon and all husbands are invited to attend. For reservations call Yvette Martinka at 561-7246 or Carolyn Robbins at 472-2049 by noon, Feb. 12.

EM wives to meet

The Enlisted Men's Wives Club will hold its monthly meeting in the NCO/Enlisted Club, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. For information call; 561-6170 or 561-6234.

Craft classes planned

A **beginners woodworking class** will begin Feb. 8 and be held every Friday evening, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for four weeks. There's a \$5 fee for the class. A second class has been added starting Feb. 10 and will be held every Sunday afternoon, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m.

A **beginners photography class** is scheduled to begin Feb. 20 and follow every Wednesday evening from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The month long course costs \$5.

A **lapidary class** will be given Feb. 26 and every Tuesday evening, for eight weeks from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$7.50.

Active duty military will be given priority. However, in case of space available, retired military, dependents, and DA Civilians are urged to sign-up also. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122 or call 561-4497.

Red Cross classes set

American Red Cross is in need of additional instructors in CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), first aid and water safety.

Red Cross will be conducting the following CPR and First Aid classes during this month. Call the Red Cross office to sign up at 561-2187.

Feb. 11 & 13—Two session CPR class from 8 a.m.-noon.

Feb. 20 & 22—Two session CPR class from 8 a.m.-noon.

Feb. 29—First Aid class from 8:30 a.m.-noon.

Wives to meet

The **Presidio Officers' Wives Club** will hold their next meeting **Feb. 7 beginning at 10:45 a.m.** in the Presidio Officer's Club. Stylist from a local hair salon will cut hair for four lucky club members. For reservations call 561-4620 or 883-5010. Lunch will be served at 12:15.

Volunteers sought

Enlisted volunteers, E-4 and below, are being sought for **Explosive Ordnance Disposal** duties. Those selected will, upon graduation from Navy EOD School, receive MOS 55D 10; be awarded the EOD badge and become eligible for \$55 a month demolition pay. For further information, call SFC Tobias or SFC Manders at 561-5209 or 2524.

Bus schedule changed

A change in the post bus schedule will make it easier for workers in the Fort Scott area to reach the post cafeteria and exchange.

Starting today, run 5 which leaves the post bus station at 11:05 a.m. and run 6 which departs at 12:10 will circle Fort Mason and stop at the PX, commissary and Letterman Army Medical Center before returning to the post bus station.

Korea talk planned

United States policy in Korea will be the subject of a conference and panel discussion at the University of San Francisco, Feb. 6.

The university's Institute of Asian/Pacific Studies and Department of Military Sciences will co-host the event. Maj. Gen. John K. Singlaub (USA retired) will deliver the keynote address titled, "The Role of U. S. Ground Forces in Preventing war on the Korean Peninsula."

The conference will cover President Carter's campaign promise to withdraw American troops; the possibility of North Korea fulfilling its threat to invade South Korea; and the consequences such an eventuality might have on peace and stability in the Western Pacific.

The conference will be held at the University of San Francisco's McLaren Center, room 252, from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Additional information may be obtained by calling Capt. Mike Readman, USF, ROTC, 561-6284.

Movies

Presidio

- Feb. 1—Avalanche Express (PG)
- Feb. 2—The Golden Voyage of Sinbad (G)
- Feb. 2—H. G. Wells' The Shape of Things To Come (PG)
- Feb. 3—The Amityville Horror (R)
- Feb. 4—The Amityville Horror (R)
- Feb. 5—Jaguar Lives (PG)
- Feb. 6—Hanover Street (PG)
- Feb. 7—Killer Fish (PG)

Schwartz Theater

- Feb. 1—Alien (R) (RE)
- Feb. 4—The Billion Dollar Hobo (G)
- Feb. 5—Starting Over (R)
- Feb. 6—The Fish That Saved Pittsburgh (PG)
- Feb. 7—Hardcore (R) (RE)
- Feb. 8—Avalanche Express (PG)

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A young man

T.J. Justice hangs on tightly as he goes round and round on a swing at home. Sgt. Gwendolyn Goldbeck of Human Resources Development Division snapped this shot of her nephew when she visited home recently, for

this week's Photo of the Week. The Star Presidian still is looking for more entries for our weekly contest. All photographs, amateur or professional are urged to submit photos. Deadline is noon on Tuesday.

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Parking fee survey

Few drivers change habits, just vent anger, most don't like system

by Mike Christy

Some interesting facts and opinions on the pay-to-park policy surfaced here when a survey on the subject was conducted by the headquarters commandant last month.

A total of 609 persons responded to the questionnaire with most completing the information asked. Many used the comment section to raise valid questions and concerns while others apparently used it to vent their anger and frustrations with the policy.

Administered primarily to determine any changes in driving habits since the paid parking policy went into effect, the survey is considered as being reasonably valid by Maj. William A. Vencill, headquarters commandant and installation parking coordinator.

According to Vencill, enough people responded to the survey to make the results fairly representative of the Presidio population. "I believe we have here a fair sample of how people stationed and working at the Presidio are reacting to the policy," he said.

If the responses are a valid sample of what everyone at the Presidio is doing, only four to five percent changed their driving habits as a result of the pay-to-park policy.

Of those respondents who claim to have changed their driving habits, 17 have joined carpools as a means of beating the parking fee. Less significant are the eight persons who are now participating in mass public transportation.

The remaining 584 respondents indicated no change in driving habits. Many of these respondents indicated their reasons why they could not or would not change the way they come to work.

Reasons most given by employees for not using carpools or public transportation included increased commuting times, inconvenience and lack of adequate public transportation.

Referring to increased commuting time, one respondent wrote, "If I use a bus, I have to leave one hour earlier in the morning and wait about two hours before I can catch a bus in the evenings."

Another wrote, "The location I live in makes it

inconvenient to use public transportation. By car it takes me 35 minutes to reach work and the one time I used the bus, it took me two and one-half hours."

An even greater problem was demonstrated by one person when she stated, "I have no way of coming from home by public transportation. The first bus doesn't even leave my area until 6:30 a.m. Besides, it takes 4 transfers. If I was to use a bus, I would arrive here at 9:00 a.m."

On carpooling, one respondent commented, "I just don't like riding with other people. I smoke, many don't. Who needs the hassle?"

Unfairness of the policy received most of the comment space. As one person commented, "Cost of living is already so high and there is so much space (to park) on post, why burden us with additional expenses? It just isn't fair."

One person had a simple solution to the whole policy. "Since the initiation of the policy, I park off post."

Perhaps one disgruntled person said it for many when he stated, "Down with paid parking!"

Child care study conducted here

by H. T. Linke

"The military had the largest, and worst, child care system in the nation, and because it was on federal property it had been almost totally unregulated." These were the thoughts of Dr. Patricia Nida, Educational Consultant from Escondido, Calif. when she spoke to the opening workshop of the 1980 Military Child Care Project held here recently.

On the positive side, Nida quickly noted that while there was still much to do, great progress has been made in this area. As she says, "... once the military decided it had to get going, it only took seven years to accomplish what the civilian community took 40 years to achieve."

The Military Child Care Workshops are designed to improve military child care facilities

by upgrading the training and qualifications of military child care staffs, providing assistance to military parents, and developing a program of resource sharing for military child care centers.

The workshops are entirely funded by an \$18,000 grant from the Bay Area United Way, which receives part of its funding from military contributions to the Combined Federal Campaign. In addition to Army involvement, Navy and Air Force Child Care staffs are also participating.

According to Lt. Col. Larrie Wanberg, Chief of Social Work Services at Letterman Army Medical Center and project coordinator, six of the best people in the western United States have been asked to run the child care workshops.

Wanberg says the size of the military makes it

part of the biggest child care system in the country which could have the best system, but falls short. That is why he wants to share resources through programs like the 1980 Military Child Care Project, and let military centers grow together to improve their programs.

The Military Child Care Project will continue through June 1980, with a total of six workshops. The thirty-five participants, some from as far away as Fort Ord and the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, will receive thirty-six hours of instruction and will be eligible for college credit. Each workshop will be videotaped so that others can also receive the training.

This year's program may be only the start toward a regional, tri-service child care training center geared to help all military centers.

Sick call

Follow the rules

The commander of Headquarters Company, USAG has issued a reminder to all soldiers assigned and attached to the unit going on sick call.

According to a letter issued by Capt. Robert Arosteguy, the unit has been experiencing a problem with soldiers not following established sick call procedures.

The commander reminds soldiers that sick call hours during the duty day is from 7-7:30 a.m., and before going to the hospital they must pick up a slip at the orderly room and sign out.

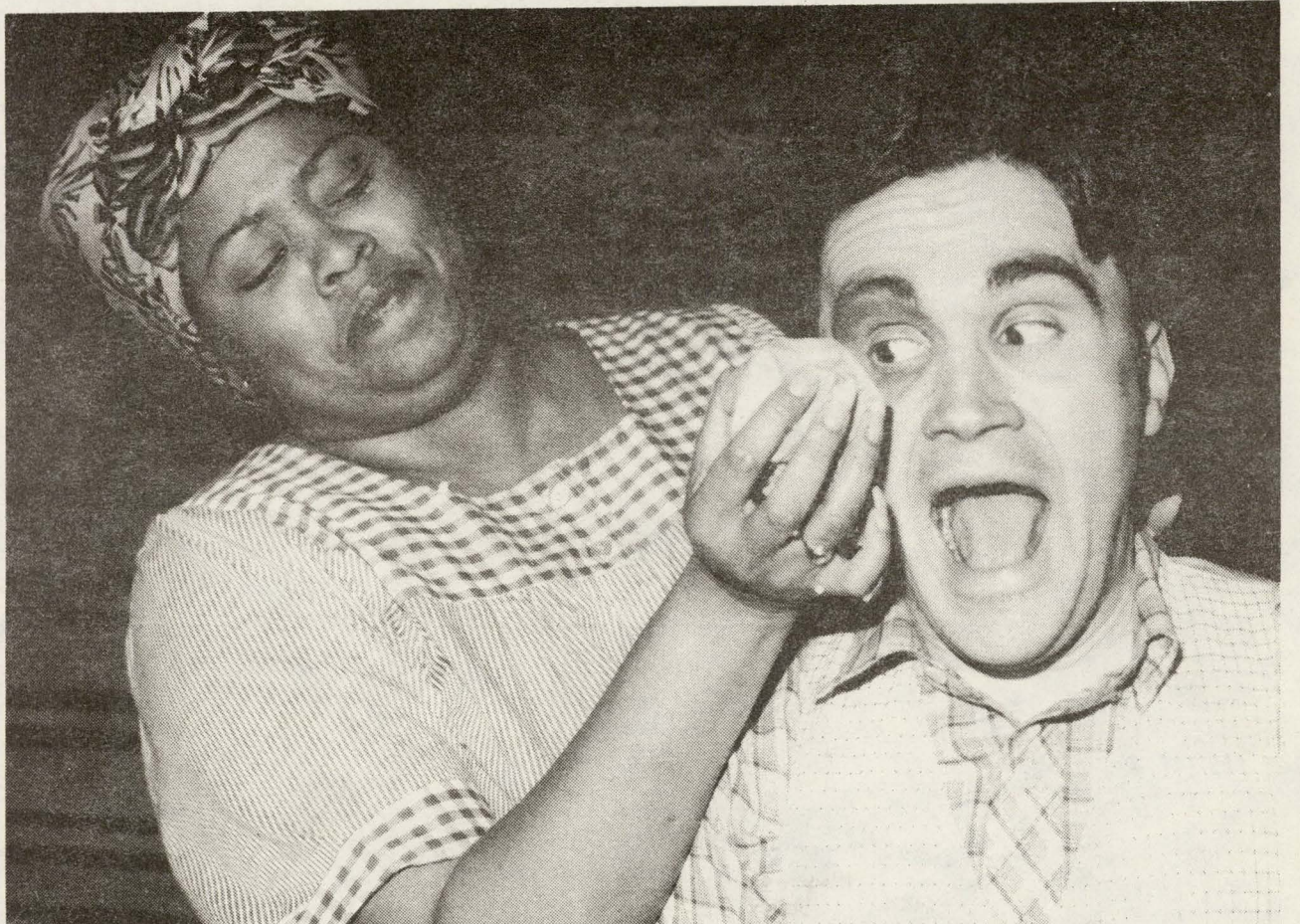
Once soldiers are treated, they must report back to their orderly room and sign in before going to their duty stations.

Arosteguy states, "You do not have the privilege to go on sick call as you wish. The hour state is the only time to go on sick call."

Naturally, Arosteguy realizes that emergencies do arise, and asks that soldiers, if possible, get a sick slip before going to the emergency room.

"If this is not possible, proceed to the emergency room, but make sure you notify the company orderly room of your status," Arosteguy comments.

During non-duty days, soldiers should acquire a sick slip from the charge of quarters before going to the hospital.



What are you doing to me?

Pat Zimmerman applies ice to Ken Juber's black eye during a scene from the upcoming performance of "Purlie Victorious" at the Presidio Playhouse. The play, a comedy on the old south, opens Feb. 15 as part of the post's

observance of Black History Week. For more information on the week's events or on the play see related stories on pages 3 and 5.

(Photo by Tina Juber)

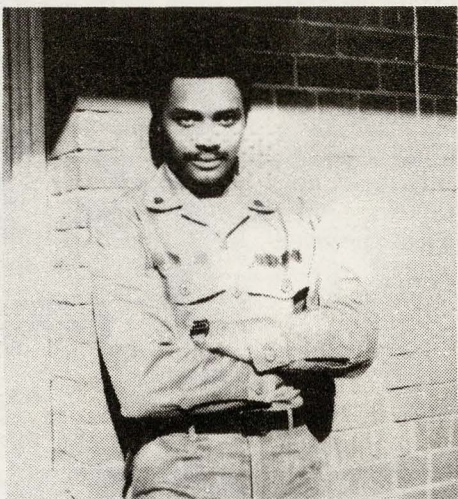
Ramblin' Sam

What is the biggest mistake you ever made ?



SSgt. Harold Swartz, 504th Re-enlistment NCO—"When I allowed the recruiter to shanghai me into the Army's Security Agency on my initial enlistment instead of what I had originally requested."

Sp4 Carlos Corbitt, Unit Armor USAG—"I should have entered the service upon completion of high school". Then I would have progressed further into my military career".



PFC Kathy Halverson, Post Chapel—"My biggest mistake was joining the Army instead of enrolling in college to further my education."

Sgt. John Dodge, 504th MP Bn S-3—"My mistake was having to drop out of school to pay for my excess debts. I now know budgeting your income is important. "Don't spend more than you earn".



Capt. Thomas Cannon, Reservist—"Smoking cigarettes was my biggest mistake but I kicked the habit on a two week camping trip in the mountains with only one pack. After the trip and not smoking cigarettes for a while, I felt great. Since then, I have had no desire for a cigarette."

Reader Opinion

Dear Editor,

I was wondering if you could give me an explanation as to why civil service employees working at Letterman Army Medical Center are entitled to use the LAMC cafeteria for lunch and other employees of the Presidio do not have a choice like this?

Sincerely,
James G. Payton

Dear Mr. Payton,

The following answer was provided by Mr. Charles F. Dasey, Jr., Public Affairs Officer at Letterman Army Medical Center:

"The first priority customers of a hospital food service are patients and duty enlisted personnel. In addition, the hospital commander may

open a hospital dining facility to "other personnel assigned or attached" to the hospital.

General Baker exercised this option in April 1979, opening LAMC's Mitchell Dining Hall to civilian employees of the hospital and LAIR, on a trial basis at first and then permanently. Civilian access is limited to LAMC and LAIR employees because the size of the facility and capability of the food service staff can accomodate the civilian employees of LAMC, but not the entire civilian employee population of the Presidio.

Department of the Army civilians authorized to eat at LAMC may only do so during their duty hours, limiting them to just one meal."

Eleven years

Adapted from an editorial by **Mary Anne Whitehead** which appeared in the Jan. 30 issue of the **Philadelphia Inquirer**.

Eleven years ago my husband, a major in the United States Army came home to the United States in a GI issue grey steel coffin wrapped in the American flag. Eleven years ago, many people considered him a fool for believing that duty, honor and country were something worth dying for and pitied me and my two fatherless children for his "worthless sacrifice."

Eleven years ago it was fashionable among many young people to wear the American flag on the seat of their pants instead of serving the country for which those stars and stripes flew.

Eleven years ago, countless numbers of young men fled this country and refused to take part in war they considered immoral.

Eleven years is a long time in a nation's history; issues change, old enemies become friends, new alliances are formed and young people mature.

The capture of 50 American citizens by the Iranian revolutionaries, the Russian invasion of Afghanistan and the threat it poses to the countries in the Persian Gulf has produced these last few weeks of groundswell of patriotism, an awakening of a national consciousness.

Americans in great numbers it

appears are having their eyes opened to the hard cruel facts of life. They are learning that America and Americans and the way of life they are accustomed to are being threatened. And they are also learning that when those principles are threatened by another nation by invasion of another country, that human rights, personal freedoms are being threatened here.

They are learning that these rights, these freedoms are ultimately linked to the national interest; that preservation of the nation in the world political arena is necessary. They are learning that Americans must be willing to serve the country in which they live, to sacrifice. **They are learning that duty, honor and country are not tainted words** but the ultimate expression of love for one's country, one's fellowman and one's self.

The tragedy of our involvement in the vietnam war was that many American citizens never realized that men like my husband, a career officer educated at the military academy, understood the words, duty, honor and country perfectly. **These men were not brain-washed, gullible fools but rather men who understood that to preserve the American way of life service to one's country was necessary and noble. They realized, perhaps more than most, that all Americans must be willing to work to preserve our way of life.**

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EERs out for some soldiers

Checking regs to answer a question is never easy. Most subjects are covered in several regulations. How do you know where to look?

In the case of the enlisted evaluation reporting system, getting information is going to be a little easier.

The EER system is now governed by AR 623-205 which contains information on preparing and submitting Senior Enlisted Evaluation Reports (SEER) for active duty soldiers. The new reg replaces DA pamphlet 623-1 and chapter 8 of AR 600-200.

Most of AR 623-205 is not new policy, states 1st Lt. Laurianne Dubia, Chief of Personnel Management at COMPACT, but there are some changes and it has been written more clearly.

Since EER's are no longer required for E-4's, the first time soldiers will receive an SEER is three months after their promotion to E-5.

This initial report will not be required for soldiers who were rated as E-4s, however. They will receive their reports one year after promo-

tion to E-5, unless there is a need for an earlier report such as a change-of-rater or TDY report.

Dubia says the rules for special reports have been tightened in the new regulations. Special reports will be submitted only to recognize an outstanding performance or a "performance deficiency so serious it should not await reporting through the normal reporting schedule." These reports must now be approved by a field grade officer in the direct line of supervision. This officer will also act as the reviewer for the report.

As in the past, officials pointed out, the new regulations prohibits submitting special reports solely because the soldier is in the zone of consideration for promotion or school selection.

A new paragraph clearly explains when a report is needed for soldiers on TDY or special duty (SD). According to Dubia, soldiers on TDY or SD for three months or longer will now receive a change-of-rater report from their unit before they depart. They will receive another rating from the TDY or SD supervisor when they complete the duty.

For soldiers on TDY or SD for less than three months, a letter may be prepared by the TDY or SD supervisor for the unit's information. This can then be used when preparing the soldier's next report, Dubia said.

Another addition to the regulations, Dubia says, is the requirement for a "Relief-for-Cause" report. Relief-for-cause is defined as the early release of a soldier from a specific duty or assignment. The release must be directed by a superior and be based on a decision that the soldier has failed in his performance of duty through inefficiency or misconduct. Previously, this type of situation called for a special report, officials said.

A new chapter of SEER appeals is also included. A checklist is provided for soldiers making appeals, officials added.

The new regulations also gives information about the responsibilities of everyone involved in the rating system. It emphasizes the responsibilities of commanders supervising the evaluation system.

Giving the gift of life is a painless way to help others

Workers from the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, draw blood from several soldiers during one of the post's quarterly blood drives. Each year hundreds of Presidians take a few minutes to give the "gift of life." The first drive of 1980 will be held Feb. 12 from 8 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the NCO/Enlisted Club and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Fort Scott Education Center. Appointments may be made through section and unit representatives, or you can stop by either location. Red Cross volunteers will be on hand to serve refreshments to all donors. (Photo courtesy of the American Red Cross.)



Black History Week events set

Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., and Brig. Gen. Hazel Johnson, Chief of the Army Nurse Corps, will visit Presidio next week as part of the Presidio's observance of Black History Week.

Alexander will be the main speaker during ceremonies at the post theater for a special program on Feb. 13 at 8:30 p.m. The program will also include the presentation of awards to winners of the Black History Week essay contest.

Johnson will kick-off the week long observance with a noon address at the Presidio Officer's Club. The luncheon, which costs \$4.85 will begin at 11:45 a.m.

Also featured during the noon hours activities will be music by the Sixth Army Band

and a special presentation by the "Vocal Workshop".

Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased from the following individuals:

A special ethnic luncheon is planned for Feb. 13 at the post NCO/Enlisted Club beginning at noon. The "Easy Day Jazz Group" will perform for club patrons.

The Presidio Army Museum will unveil a special exhibit on black soldiers during ceremonies to be held at 11:30 a.m., Feb. 13.

The unique exhibit, which explains the role of the black soldier in American history from the Revolutionary War until the present is the first of its kind to be assembled and displayed.

Located at the corner of Lincoln Boulevard and

Funston Avenue, the museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

The week long observance will conclude on Feb. 15 when the play, "Purlie Victorious" opens at the Presidio Playhouse at 8 p.m. (See related story on page 6)

The play, a comedy on the old south, will run through March 9.

Tickets for the play cost \$3 and may be purchased at the Playhouse Monday through Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. and at the box office 30 minutes before performances.

The entire Presidio community is invited to attend the 1980 Black History Week events.

Parking permit confusion cleared up

There still appears to be confusion among some Presidians as to when and where to purchase parking permits.

According to Maj. William A. Vencill, headquarters commandant and parking project manager, the confusion stems from the sales location being moved at different times of the month. The times, he says, remain constant at either location.

"We sell parking permits each month from the first to the 10th on the main floor of the Provost Marshal's building (Bldg. 36). We

selected the Provost Marshal's building because it is conveniently located and chose the first 10 days of each month to be there because that's when the vast majority of people purchase the permits," he says.

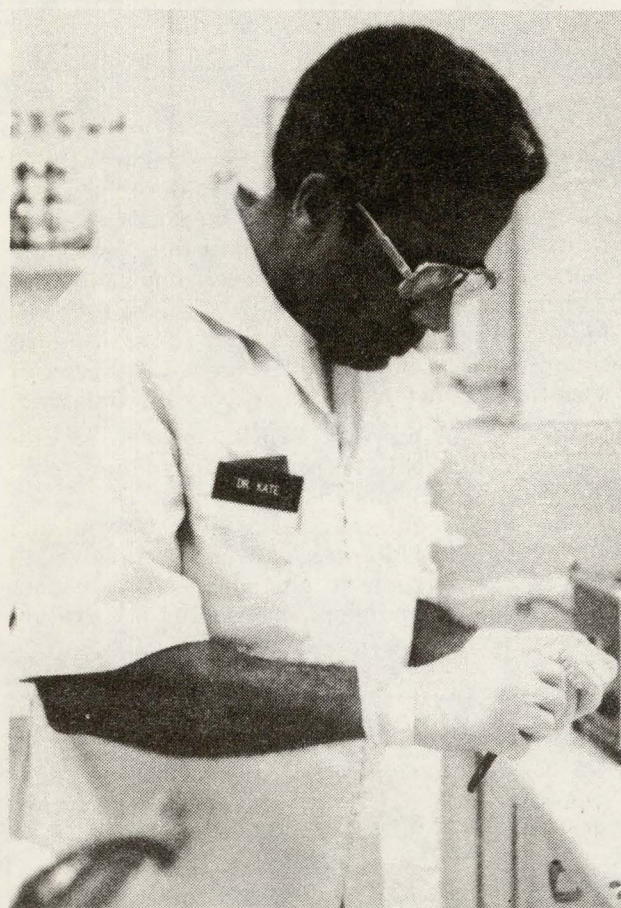
Vencill explained that after the 10th of each month, the permits are sold at his office (Bldg. 35) until the end of the month because only a "trickle" of people purchase permits after that. "It's not very cost-effective for me to keep personnel away from their primary place of duty,

or my office, just to sell parking permits to a few people," he added.

"Whether in the Provost Marshal's building or my office, the hours for purchasing parking permits remains the same... between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday," Vencill stated.

Parking permits are valid for the month they are purchased and good until the fifth working day into the succeeding month. For instance, January's permit is valid until today (Feb. 8), the fifth working day of February.

Kate soars like an 'eagle'



Handful of teeth

Dr. (Col.) William Kate works on a set of false teeth at the LAMC dental clinic. Kate is a pilot in his free time. (Photo by Debbie Miller).

by Pete Britten

An eagle flies high.

The Presidio has an "eagle" who soars high in the sky under his own power. He does his aerial thing with the agility and freedom of a bird in a private plane.

The eagle, is Dr. (Col.) William Kate, at Letterman Army Medical Center.

Kate learned to fly in 1961 at Tuskegee, Ala. in the memorable surroundings where black American "Tuskegee Airmen" of World War II fame learned the skill some 20 years earlier.

Ironically, Kate's instructor was Charles A. "Chief" Anderson who became the first Negro in 1932 to hold a commercial pilots license. Anderson was selected as the chief instructor at Tuskegee Army Airfield for the primary phase of cadet training during the war years.

"I always admired the flying ability of "Chief" Anderson. He was my inspiration as far as flying goes. Naturally, the collective contributions of the "Tuskegee Airmen" impressed me very much since they paved the way for black pilots today," Kate reflected.

After learning the basics of flying, Kate continued his training at Fort Knox, Ky. during one of his assignments there. He did his "solo" flight there and later became president of the Aero Club at the post.

The "eagle" rank officer is now a member of Letterman Army Medical Center and was promoted to colonel in 1977.

Kate, a dentist who served in the Army as an enlisted member during the Korean War, is a 1960 graduate of the College of Dentistry at Howard University in Washington, D. C. He currently serves as Chief of Removable Prosthodontics and Director of Residency Training Removable Prosthodontics. In addition, he is the Chair-

person of the Presidio of San Francisco Black History Planning Committee.

Getting to be an "eagle" wasn't an easy task for Kate. He credits hard work, education, discipline and role models as some of the keys to his mobility and path to success for reaching the "eagle" nest.

"Another fine person who inspired me in life was Dr. Benjamin Mays, President Emeritus of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Mays often said, "In order to succeed, first you have to have a dream. Then think big and work hard." "I still agree with that basic philosophy today," Kate remarked. "It is very important for any person to decide as soon as possible in life what to do. Then it is just as necessary to continue to go after the goal with hard work and stick to the task".

Kate's wife, Jean, attributes "perseverance" as the key ingredient for her husband's success. "This quality of perseverance is reflected in everything he does," she said, "He is a true Gemini," she continued "because of his patience and endurance." "Bill never asks more of anyone than he can or will do himself. He is definitely a perfectionist who feels that anything worth doing is worth doing well. I see him as a devoted son, father and husband—a loving man who is always eager to help the underdog," she concluded.

Kate is quite versatile and civic-minded. He is a deacon at Third Baptist Church in San Francisco, he has worked closely with the scouting program and has been a frequent youth league coach of basketball, baseball and football. An avid sportsman, he bowls, skis, and jogs.

Whether setting an example for his proud son, William III or young men and women in the military, Kate continues to aim and fly high because that's the way it is with an "eagle".

Rip-offs

Believe it or not thefts happen here everyday

There are thieves among us. It's hard to believe, but its true some of our co-workers and neighbors and visitors are just not honest folks.

Last year more than \$95,000 in property was stolen on the Presidio. That figure, according to 2nd Lt. Bill Foster, post crime prevention officer, accounts for 76 percent of the crime committed here in 1979 and only ten percent of these goods were recovered.

"I can't believe this could happen on the Presidio," was the reaction of one post employee who had her money and credit cards stolen out of her purse. She left it on top of her desk.

"People just don't think this type of thing can happen here, but it does," states Foster. "And in many cases these thefts occur because people leave their valuables and office equipment unsecured".

"Another reason we see so many larcenies is because office workers and quarter residents have been lulled into thinking that only those who live in the barracks need to secure their valuables," he commented.

Foster believes that these crimes can be prevented if people are more security conscience. During Crime Prevention Week, Feb. 10-16, Foster and his staff attempted to make people aware of how to secure their valuables.

"Our goal for Crime Prevention Week is to reduce the number of larcenies on the Presidio. We can only do this with the help of everyone on post," Foster explained.

Foster recommends that all sections record and keep handy the serial numbers of all office equipment.

Personal items such as purses and radios should be locked up when leaving the room.

Barracks and quarters residents should also write down the serial numbers of their valuables or borrow an engraving tool and put their driver's license number on those items.

"Crime prevention is basically using common sense. People can help save themselves and the government money by locking up and marking up their valuables," Foster concluded.



Farewell my purse

Each day women all around the Presidio leave their purses unprotected and unsecured. One woman recently found out

that some people just aren't honest after someone stole her money and credit cards out of her purse. Lock up your valuables.



Hollister's been 'in' the Army but never wore an uniform

You might say that Ms. Margret Hollister has been "in" the Army all her life, yet she's never worn a uniform.

Hollister, a typist at COMPACT is the daughter of a 33 year Army veteran, whose been a Department of the Army employee for over 30 years.

"My father was an old calvary man and I was born at Fort Riley. Eventually we moved to Fort Leavenworth where I got a job at a Command and General Staff College right after high school," Hollister explained.

Life in the Army has changed during these 30 years, says Hollister and she feels the biggest change has been in soldier appearance. "Daddy would have a fit if he saw the soliders today. I think the longer hair and moustaches are a terrible change. I like the way the soldiers looked when my father was in the Army."

Hollister does like the new Army uniforms, however. "I can still see my father in his riding boots, khaki pants with his campaign hat under his chin. He was a sharp soldier, but I didn't like those brown uniforms."

The civil service system has also changed during Hollister's career. "It seems that promotions come quicker. I can remember staying a GS-2 for

a long time. In fact, I wasn't promoted to GS-4 until I moved here in 1960.

"Women seem to be getting a better chance to climb to the higher grades," Hollister continued. "In the 1940s there weren't too many blacks, men or women, in the higher grades, it seems they tried to keep up to a minimum."

Hollister feels things have improved for blacks and for women. "If you know the job, you have and even chance with everyone."

The mother of four children, Hollister enjoys sewing, a talent she learned on her own time. "When my daughter was younger, I decided I was going to learn to sew and I did by teaching myself. Now I make most of my own clothes and sew for others too."

A cheerful person, Hollister's days are busy processing line of duty investigations, pregnancy and hardship discharges, and helping out the Survivor Assistance and Reenlistment Offices.

Around the office, "Pete", is known for being "sort of tom-boyish" justifying her nickname. She is also known for her sense of humor.

Retirement is not in Hollister's immediate future, for you might say that after more than 30 years, she still hasn't gotten the Army out of her system.

Show and tell?

SFC John Hayes, post reenlistment NCO, explains some paper work to Ms. Margret Hollister. Hollister assists the reenlistment and survival assistance office in addition to her own work at Compact. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Is Herman Ringo gungo-ho?

by Tom Donaghy

Some people might call SFC Herman Ringo Gung-Ho, but to the first sergeant of HHD, 504th MP Battalion, he's just a dedicated solider.

Ringo, is an 18 year Army vet who "traveled the world trying to reach the highest pinnacle possible in the Army life."

Soft spoken and thoughtful, Ringo reminisced that his greatest achievement in the Army "was being a drill sergeant at Fort McClellan, Alabama. Being able to teach, and being able to see you've contributed toward the goal of the Army was rewarding. It's like taking raw material, and in six weeks turn them into a soldier."

"I've done more in the Army than I could ever do sitting at home. I like it, being part of the team, meeting the goals and challenges. I think it makes a better man out of me, more mature," Ringo commented.

As a first sergeant, Ringo said that he enjoys working with the soldiers of his unit. "It's hard at times because of the paper work, but the troops are rewarding to work with, and we have some pretty intelligent soldiers in this battalion."

His job makes him chief enlisted man in his group. He listens to grievances, offers advice, and sees that the daily operation of the detachment are fulfilled.

Being new in the job—three months—Ringo said, "It takes a lot of my time right now, but as soon as I get settled, I'll be able to spend more time with civic activities."

A member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for 16 years, Ringo belongs to his home town chapter in St. Louis. "I really believe in their work, I saw them in action during the riots in Little Rock, Arkansas back in 1957, when I was going to school. I used to be active working for them, but I've been overseas 13 of my 18 years in the service and haven't had the time. I'm a lifetime member of the NAACP."

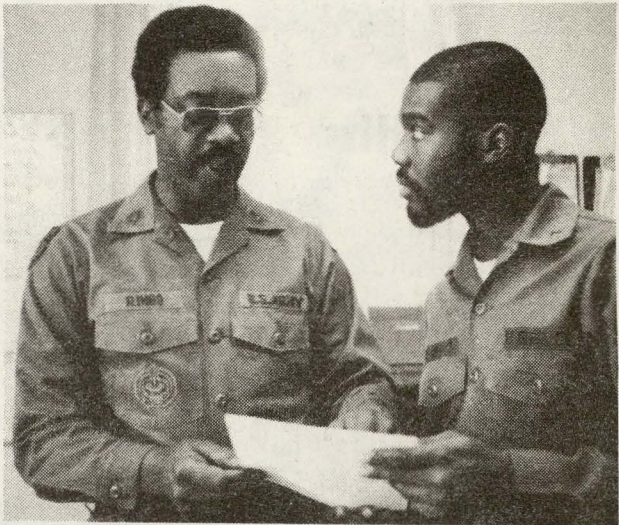
Ringo states that he's proud of the work the NAACP has done, and thinks that all races and creeds of men have benefited from their efforts.

The first sergeant said Black History Week is another important part of those efforts because "it lets people recognize I have a background, a heritage, an it teaches others about blacks. These teachings should lessen other people's fears that we are different than other people. It opens up a whole avenue of knowledge about each other."

"And the Army's recognition of ethnic minorities contributes greatly to building high morale. It recognizes me and my heritage as well as the other nationalities in the service which

shows the Army's concern. It lifts me up."

Ringo concluded, "I want to stay in the Army as long as possible, and then retire to give more time to community activities."



Working with the troops
SFC Herman Ringo, first sergeant for HHD 504 MP Battalion explains an office procedure to Pvt. Jeffrey Felton.

Opening scheduled for 'Purlie Victorious'

"Purlie Victorious," a satirical comedy by Ossie Davis, will open at the Presidio Playhouse on Feb. 15, in conjunction with Black History Week.

The Presidio Players' production will play on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., through Mar. 8, with a final performance on Sun, Mar. 9, 7 p.m. There will be one Dinner Theatre Show only, on Feb. 17, with a Prime Rib Buffet at the Presidio Officer's Club at 5:30 p.m., followed by the performance at the Playhouse at 7 p.m.

Tickets go on sale Feb. 11, at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., Monday through Saturday 30 minutes before performances. For further information, call 561-3992 during box office hours.

"Purlie Victorious" is a rollicking comedy, taking all the clinches of plays about the lovable old south and combining humor with black and white stereotypes. The story

begins when Purlie Victorious comes back to his shabby cabin to announce that he will reacquire the local church and ring the freedom bell. There is an inheritance due to a cousin, which would be sufficient to buy the church. Unfortunately, it also is controlled by the white plantation colonel. Purlie tries to send a newcomer to the colonel to impersonate the heiress, but she is found out. Then, a bucketful of bright and bristling laughs begin.

Several members of last year's cast of "A RAISIN IN THE SUN" will be seen in this production, including Sp5 Michael Rodman, Pat Zimmerman, Ralph White, and Reggie Scott as Purlie. Newcomers to a Playhouse production include Sgt. Connie Denise Davis, Kimberly Oneida Evans, Sp4 Karl Heller, Sp5 Kenneth P. Juber, and Bill Clyde.

March hikes jump up for junior EM

More than 7,700 E-4s and E-5s will add new stripes on March 1, up more than 1,600 over last months hikes. Promotions in all other grades are down.

The following are planned promotions, for March 1:

Pay Grade	Feb. 1	Promotions Mar. 1	Sequence Number	
06	65	57	455	
05	189	149	987	
04	241	238	1534	
03	311	221	3405	
W4	27	19	224	
W3	61	51	593	
E9	56	50	20	
E8	330	214	2515	
E7	858	680	7364	
E6	2020	2353		
E5	4071	5386		

The March promotions to E-9 will exhaust the current list and start the new list from the board that convened in Sept. 1979.

LAMC's medic Meeks models

by Tom Donaghy

For some people modeling clothes is just a dream. For Sp4 Lajoce Meeks, of LAMC, it is just one of her many accomplishments where doing "as much as possible with maximum enjoyment."

Meeks, an emergency room medic, began her modeling career in Chicago while still a teenager taking her to Mexico and Europe as a civilian. After she enlisted she did shows in Germany. "I love it, it's great experience," she said.

The second term soldier has other goals, however, "I want to finish my bachelors degree in nursing, then go on to the Uniformed School of Medicine to study to be a general surgeon."

After almost four years service Meeks reflects, "I had no idea coming in the Army could do so much for me. It offered me educational opportunities I couldn't turn down. My first three years went so fast in Germany, and I truly liked them."

"Don't get me wrong, on my bad days, I could tell some of the Army life to take a leap, and I think some fresh blood is needed higher up, but over all I enjoy it. I'm learning temperance."

Meeks' temperance is underscored by her high degree of individuality and "goal oriented" life style. She says that because she's black "there's no reason why I can't become the best."

The medic thinks the issue of segregation "is slowly dying out". Meek feels Black History Week stirring up alot of unneeded attention. I think it segregates blacks and whites more".

"They don't celebrate the Indian History Week, or the White History Week. We're all in this together.

"Blacks have to live in this country, and can do whatever they want. You can't sit down and wait until it's brought to you on a silver platter. Some people believe things will come free, but you've got to work for what ever you get."

After she completes her education, Meeks plans to settle down in Germany "where the people mind their own business. It's peaceful there, and I like the country, especially the scenery. Before I went I never thought I'd like it, but I spent three great years there."

Like modeling clothes, maybe Lajoce Meeks knows how to make dreams become realities.



Do what with this?

Sp4 Lajoce Meeks observes as Dr. Samuel Joseph demonstrates a new piece of equipment in LAMC's emergency room. Meeks is a model in her off duty time, and has traveled to many countries doing shows. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Jeff Flournoy

His goal is to revitalize America through its youth

by Tom Donaghy

"The youth in our society plays an important part in the future of our country; and America as a whole has to get back to the basics and raise and educate its youth in a proper manner."

This is one of the concerns of Sp5 Jeff Flournoy, a finance specialist, who is active in youth activities and "rebuilding America."

Flournoy is the commissioner of Presidio's Dependent Youth Basketball league, and is preparing to become a Big Brother, as well as joining the NAACP.

The soldier has also helped organize Black History Week and Martin Luther King Day two years in a row. Flournoy explained why "Black History is not really a focus on the past. It is used as a guideline for things to come. It's like the Bible, it is based on a past, but gives you a peek into the future."

After three and a half years in the Army, Flournoy says he's a little wary about the future of America and "I'll just have to start speaking my mind."

"I study alot now. I am taking business courses, and will try to get a business degree after I ETS because something has to be done."

"I'm trying to follow the teaching of the bible because I'm aware of what this world is coming to as it was foretold many years ago."

Biblically, San Francisco is a good example of the way things may turn out if we're not careful—like Sodom. Everybody felt the rumblings a few weeks ago, but I felt a warning.

"I don't party too much now. I've discoed enough in my life and partying just isn't happening any more. I've got a goal and am going after it. Party is only part time now."

"The state of America is at a fork in the road where a wrong judgement by any of the leaders or the people could be disastrous. We're the main state in the world right now, but times change."

Flournoy said though he sounds gloomy he can "see the inequality in America regressing to when it was before Martin Luther King. The black leadership is weak, there is none," explaining that no one has been able to stand in the shadow of Martin Luther King.

This, said Flournoy, is why he'll continue "to support the Army after my ETS. It's a beautiful organization that has really helped me grow. But it sometimes forgets about its lower enlisted personnel."

"The Army preaches that as an NCO I should look out for the lower enlisted soldiers, but alot of

time you end up getting burned trying to help," Flournoy commented.

Looking to the future, Flournoy wants to play an active part in revitalizing his home town of Gary, Ind., "because it can be done. It would be easy to go somewhere else, but I think Gary has the potential to be a great city."



His pay went where

Sp5 Jeff Flournoy goes over your finance records with Mr. David Swoverland. Flournoy is active in the Presidio youth program and is

commissioner of the Dependant Youth Basketball League. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Ready exercise

Believe it or not PT starts for USAG soldiers Monday morning

Soldiers assigned to Headquarters, USAG will be a little late to work Monday. That's because they'll be doing physical training beginning at 7 a.m.

The new PT program will be held each Monday morning with soldiers reporting to their duty sections at 8:30 a.m.

The program is designed to develop and main-

tain the physical fitness of the soldiers assigned to the unit.

The 30 minute sessions will include exercises and a run which eventually will cover one mile. The company will be lead through the exercises by its junior officers.

A remedial PT program will be conducted on Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to noon, for

those persons overweight or who fail to meet the minimum standards of the program.

Soldiers over age 40 who feel that the PT program would increase their normal daily activity are required to take a physcial examination before participating. This is mandatory for those who have not been active in physical training in the last six months.

Sports

Women place third in tourney

The Presidios Women's team placed third in the double elimination Travis Invitational Tournament held last weekend. The team placed three of six members on the All-Tournament team, which is indicative of how well the team played.

The three players who received honors were **Wanda Woods**, who also was MVP scoring 30 points per game and had a tournament high game of 40 points; **Donna Cleville** who collected a tournament high 15 rebounds per game; and **Kris Lewis** who tossed in 20 points per game.

Pool closed

The post swimming pool, Bldg. 1151, will be closed for remodeling work from Feb. 11 until March 24. The existing deck carpet will be taken up and new non-skid surfacing will be applied. The pools will also be closed for the remainder of this week due to repair work on the pumping system.

Triathloners

Any qualified personnel interested in entering the **Triathlon** running, swimming, and pistol shooting, should contact the sports branch office in Bldg. 36, or call 561-5032 or 4120.

Sea class set

The Coast Guard Auxilliary will offer boating safety and seamanship courses starting Feb. 25 for 13 consecutive Monday evenings. Class begins at 8 p.m., and will be held in Bldg. 908. A certificate will be awarded upon completion of the course, and all interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Army vs Merritt

The **All-Army Basketball** team will play a practice game against Merritt College of Alameda Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Post Gym, bldg. No. 63. The team will also participate in the Tournament of Champions to be held at Reno, Nev. Feb. 15-18.

Men to Travis

The Presidio Men's team "travels" to Travis next week for a double elimination tournament, which is an important warm-up in preparation for the upcoming FORSCOM Tournament to be played at Ft. Lewis during the Mar. 3-7.

Spurs & Rockets still lead league

With another week's play completed, the two Presidio teams, Spurs and Rockets, continue their DYA league leading pace.

Last week, the Rockets won three games while the Spurs were victorious twice. Led by **T. Jett**, **J. Untalan**, **J. Hill** and **R. Brown**, the Rockets displayed a high powered offense. On the other hand, the Spurs feature a stingy defense led by **J.**

Sowell, **H. Hanford**, **M. Mechezhoff**, and the **Johnson brothers**, **Craig** and **Cordell**.

Results last week:

Rockets-36	Oakland Army Base-28
Spurs-22	Treasure Island No. 5-16
Rockets-48	Treasure Island No. 4-7
Treasure Island No. 5-21	Oakland Army Base-20
Spurs-23	Treasure Island No. 5-12
Rockets-41	Treasure Island No. 4-8
Spurs-30	Treasure Island No. 4-16

League standings:

Team	Won	Lost
Spurs	8	1
Rockets	7	1
OAB	3	7
T.I. No. 5	3	5
T.I. No. 4	0	9

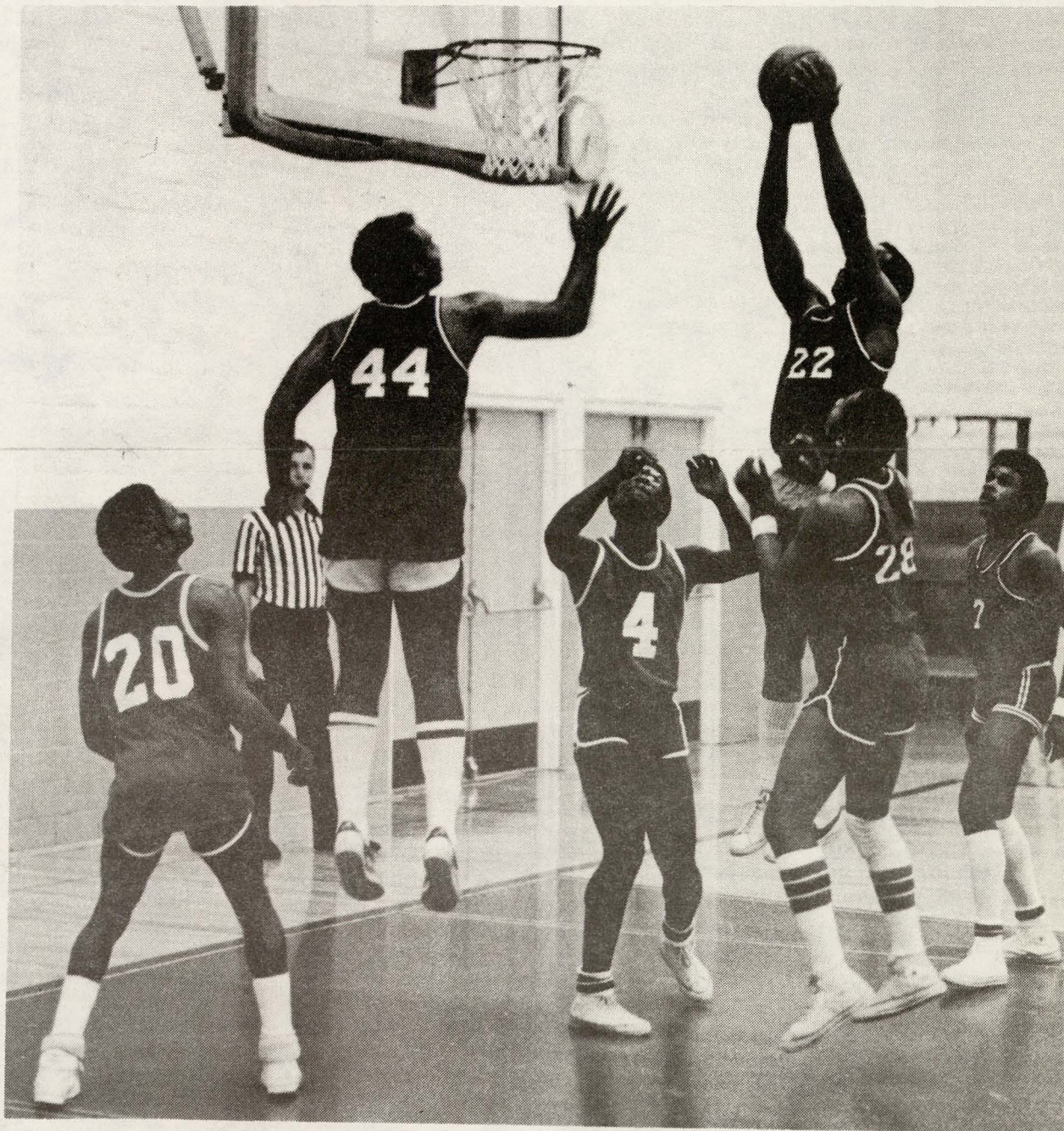
Eight to battle for post crown

The top four teams in each league for the upcoming Post Championships double elimination tournament have now been determined.

Sixth Army, USAG No. 1, 170th MP's and 864th Engineers will play it out for League No. 1 while USAG No. 2, 16th AG, USACC, and LAIR No. 2 will represent League No. 2.

Quarter finals action saw the 864th eliminate USAG No. 1, 54-49 by mounting a well rounded attack with Huggins, Williams, and Adams each scoring 10 points. In a losing effort, **Frank Jones** and **Bobby Washington** each scored 17 points.

In the other quarter final game, 16th AG's Hamilton poured in 21 points to help defeat a tough USACC, 51-47.



Jumping players

A member of the USACC team grabs a rebound during recent action against the 16th AG team. The postal folks went on to down the Communicators 51-47. The two

teams will battle against six others for the post basketball crown.

(Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Lions to dance in SF streets

Lions will be on the loose in San Francisco this month. Dancing lions, that is.

The lions will be celebrating the arrival of the Chinese New Year on Feb. 16, spreading good fortune throughout the city.

Lion dancing as well as shaolin and ta'i chi chuan are some of the kung fu gymnastics that can be seen in the city during the upcoming Year of the Monkey festivities which extend through March 2.

A dancing lion is propelled by a two-person team cloaked in 12 feet of multicolored silk and

topped by a three-foot wide head, which looks more like a cross between a Pekingese dog and a dragon. Since lions are not native to China, the Chinese concept was drawn from the descriptions of pilgrims returning from India.

The dancers themselves must have a background in kung fu. Otherwise "the lion will look weak and will not look alive," says Master Jimmy Wong of San Francisco's Doc Fai Kung Fu School.

On Feb. 18, as many as 12 teams of ceremonial lion dancers will perform in the streets of Chinatown and in the 400 to 800 blocks of Clement

Street, known as "New Chinatown."

The following Saturday, Feb. 23, more lion dancers will participate in a noon-hour pageant kicking off the city's Year of the Monkey celebration in Union Square.

A whole pride of lions will cavort in the streets in the big Golden Dragon Parade starting at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 1. Joining the leaping lions and 150-foot dragon will be towering oriental dieties, Miss Chinatown finalists, a Ch'ing dynasty wedding procession, illuminated floats and hundreds of costumed marchers.

Presidio News Notes

Aides needed

Are you interested in lending a helping hand? ARC is in need of volunteers at Letterman Hospital in clinics, as case aides, in the Pharmacy and various other areas. Please call Mrs. Smith at the Red Cross office 561-2187.

Buffet planned

There will be a **Chuckwagon Buffet** tonight at the NCO/Enlisted Club, followed by a disco by the "The Amazing Female Disco". Cost of the meal is \$5.75.

The club will also host a Happy Hour each Wednesday afternoon featuring a live Go-Go dancer.

The NCO Club reminds its patrons that there is an all night disco on Saturday from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m., featuring the "All as One" band this week.

Last chance

Pepperdine University, which for the past five years has offered a Master of Arts degree in Human Resources Management to military personnel and their dependents, is discontinuing its program.

If you presently manage people, administrate a program, or plan to go do so in the future, then this opportunity may be for you.

It is possible to earn your Master's degree in as

little as 13 months by maintaining continuous enrollment.

The final date to register for this program is Feb. 29.

Features of the program include a realistic admission policy, career oriented courses utilizing an extended weekend seminar format, and VA funding for eligible students. All classes are held at the Naval Support Activity base, Treasure Island.

For further information contact Judy Lewis, Pepperdine University Coordinator between 9 a.m. and noon, on Tuesdays at 561-4445 and remaining weekdays at 391-3236.

Craft classes planned

A **beginners and intermediate jewelry class** will begin Feb. 20, and be held every Wednesday evening, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for eight weeks. There is a \$10 fee, and projects will be made from silver, brass, and copper.

A **beginners lapidary class** will be offered Feb. 26, and every Tuesday evening for eight weeks from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$7.50.

A **wheel pottery class** will start Feb. 19, and will be held every Tuesday evening for six weeks, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. There is a \$7.50 charge per person.

Active duty military will given priority. However, in case of space available, retired military, dependants, and DA civilians are urged to sign up also. Stop by the Post Craft Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

Courses planned

Registration is now underway at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1007, for the following San Francisco State University on-post college courses to be offered March 3 through June 15.

Holistic Nursing: will be held Tuesdays from 5 to 7 p.m., in LAIR room AS3101.

Introductory Psychological Statistics will be offered Thursday from 7:45 p.m. also in LAIR room AS3101.

A geology course, **Investigating the Earth**, will be held Monday from 8:45 p.m., at the Fort Education Center.

Psychology of Personal Development a psychology course will be held on Wednesdays at 6 to 8:45 p.m. in the Fort Scott Education Center.

Books will be sold for all of the SFSU classes at the Fort Scott Education Center, March 3 at 5:30 p.m. This is the only time to pick up the books.

To register or get additional information, contact a counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216, 561-4900/2974, or LAMC Education Center, Bldg. 1007, 561-4030/3692.

Tour planned

A Valentine Dance will be held at the Recreation Center Feb. 13 from 9 p.m. to midnight with live DJ and refreshments.

The Recreation Center will sponsor a day-long tour on Feb. 16 to Hearst Castle in San Simeon leaving at 8 p.m. for military personnel and their dependents. Reservists and retirees may take the tour on a space available basis. Cost is \$6 per person which includes transportation and tour admission. Participants are urged to sign up early.

Boat for rent

The Outdoor Recreation Center is now offering **three day cruises** on a houseboat located at both Stockton (Delta area) and Mt. Shasta (Bigger Bay). The houseboats sleep six, and cost \$350 for a three day trip. There is also a \$50 refundable deposit for each use of the houseboat.

Presidio active duty personnel may reserve the houseboat 60 days in advance, and active duty persons from other posts may make reservations 45 days prior to use. Retirees are allowed 30 days advance notice, and DoD civilians 25 days.

For more information concerning dates and availability contact the outdoor recreation center at 561-4324/4356.

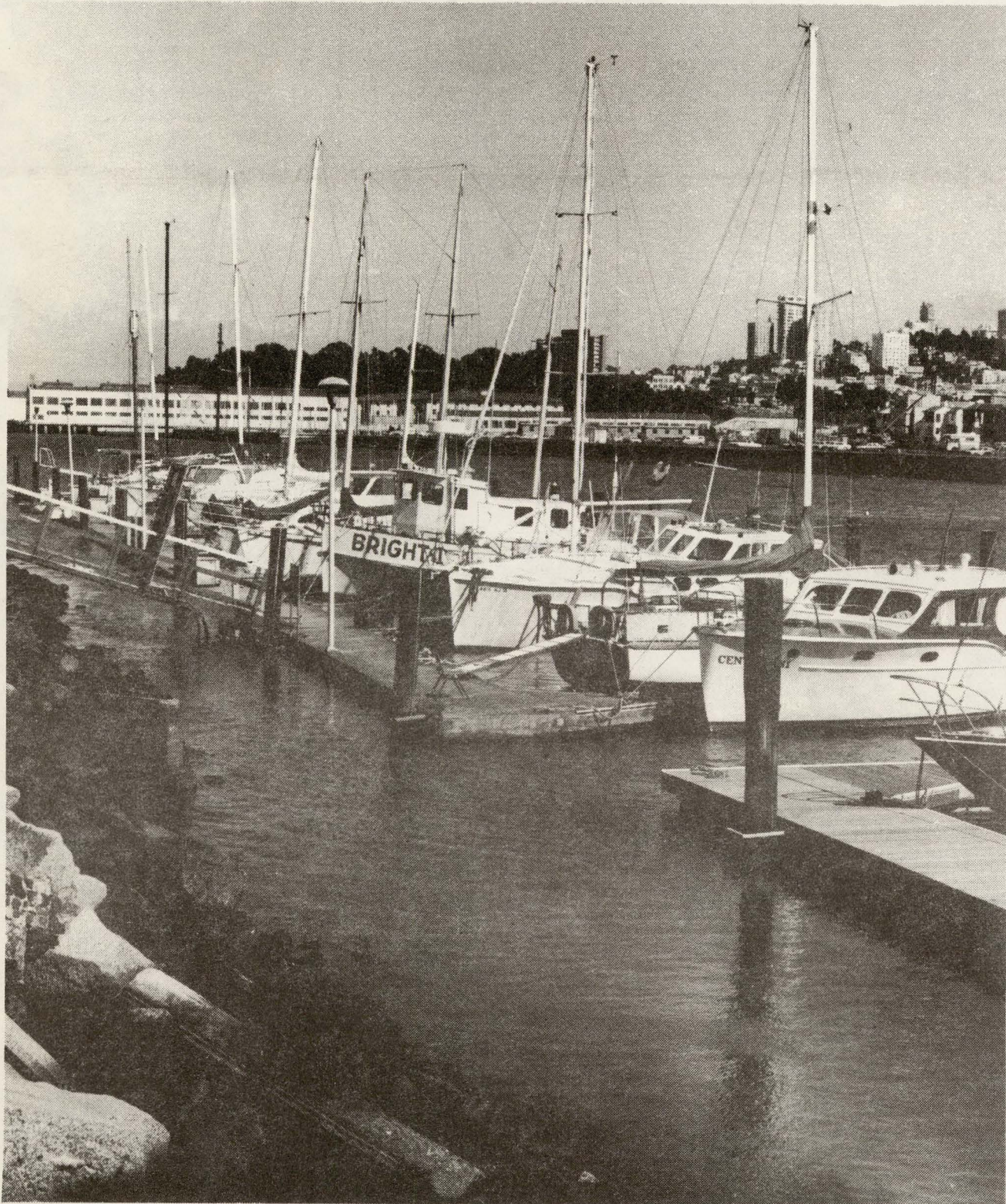
Movies

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Feb. 9—Hercules (G)
Feb. 9—Beyond the Poseidon Adventure (PG)
Feb. 10—"10" (R)
Feb. 11—"10" (R)
Feb. 12—Escape to Athena (PG)
Feb. 13—Saint Jack (R)
Feb. 14—A Force of One (PG)
Feb. 15—A Force of One (PG)
Feb. 16—An Arabian Adventure (G)
Feb. 17—"...And Justice For All" (R)
Feb. 18—"...And Justice For All" (R)
Feb. 19—Patrick (PG)
Feb. 20—Hair (PG)
Feb. 21—The Legacy (R)
Feb. 22—The Legacy (R)

Schwartz Letterman Theater

Feb. 11—H.G. Wells' The Shape of Things To Come (PG)
Feb. 12—The Amityville Horror (R)
Feb. 13—Jaguar Lives (PG)
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Feb. 22—A Force of One (PG)



Where peaceful waters flow

Sp5 Ken Juber caught this glimpse of boats harbored near the Marina and Fort Mason. Juber's submission won him another Photo of the Week honor. The Star Presidian is

interested in publishing your photo, just submit it to our offices in building 37 by noon on Tuesday. All photos will be returned. For more information call 561-3908.

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Hall plans no major changes

Maj. Gen. Charles M. Hall will officially be welcomed to the Presidio during ceremonies today at 3:45 p.m. at the main parade ground.

Hall, former Chief of Staff of Forces Command, has been nominated by the President for a third star and replaces Lt. Gen. Eugene P. Forrester who departed in December to command I Corps in Korea.

During a meeting with over 600 military and civilian employees Hall explained his plans and philosophies for Sixth Army.

"I have no great plans to revitalize Sixth Army or to tell you how to run your business," Hall stated. "I think it has been run very nicely during the past couple of years."

"I fully support the total Army concept. We must insure the combat readiness of the total Army and not just unit readiness," Hall continued.

The new Sixth Army commander told the audience that he welcomed their ideas or suggestions toward helping achieve their mission more efficiently.

Hall reminded those present of the limitations under which they are expected to do their jobs. "It's business as usual, not enough money or spaces to do the job."

The 1946 West Point graduate, said that although strength is down in many reserve units, these shortages could be overcome with good training programs. "If you've got good training it will take care of your strength."

A great admirer of Gen. Robert Shoemaker, FORSCOM commander, a fellow West Point classmate, Hall stated that he intended to follow, "THE FORSCOM philosophy, the FORSCOM two-step or anything else that FORSCOM puts out".

The man in charge of reserve support in 15 western states defended these units saying, "Despite what you read in Congressional journals, the reserve and guard are coming up daily... They are dedicated to do their job."

The meeting, although somewhat serious in nature, also had its light moments as Hall threw in anecdotes and personal notes to give the audience a total picture of the new commander.

Talking about his recent cross country trip Hall remarked on the cost of gasoline. "I had to use that magic little plastic card where they give

you those white slips of paper. I just hope they lose a few of those things."

Born in Honolulu, Hall said that although he had never been stationed in the Bay area, he had many ties to the Presidio. "The first soil I touched in Conus was at Fort Mason. . . I took my physical exam for the U. S. Military Academy at Letterman Hospital when my father was stationed at

old Hamilton Field, now known as Hamilton Air Force Base. I was married in the post chapel and my first child was born at Letterman."

In concluding his remarks, Hall, stated that he was impressed with the professionalism and knowledge of everyone he had met, promised to get on the road to meet others, and pledged his full support to all those in his command.



Nice to meet you, general

Maj. Gen. Charles M. Hall, nominee for a third star and to command Sixth Army, talks with SSgt. Pat Watson, of the G-3 section of the 91st Division Hall visited the unit last weekend as part of a get acquainted session

with his new command. The former FORSCOM chief of staff will be welcomed to the Presidio in ceremonies scheduled for 3:45 p.m. today.

(Photo by Max Werner)

Leaded premium gas may be out

Presidio drivers may find it harder to purchase leaded premium gasoline, off post.

Two major oil companies have already discontinued production of the fuel and two others, including Texaco which supplies the Presidio gas station have announced plans to follow suit.

Ms. Sandy Bourne, Presidio exchange manager, states that no date has been set by Texaco for the possible discontinuation of leaded pre-

mium gasoline to the post.

Recent studies have shown that leaded premium gasoline sales represent less than seven percent of all gasoline purchases in the United States today. With the growing demand for unlead fuel, storage space is scarce and refining capacities are limited, causing the discontinuation, according to a news release from Army and Air Force Exchange officials.

Drivers who normally use leaded premium gasoline in their cars may use a high octane unlead gasoline instead. Customers who experience poor engine performance after changing grades of motor fuel should check with their respective automobile dealerships.

Bourne pledged to inform Presidio customers as soon as possible of any discontinuation of leaded premium gasoline supplies here.

Post parking lots full of accidental accidents

There have been 26 minor traffic accidents on post since Jan. 1, according to SSgt. Larry Mitchell of the post Provost Marshalls office.

These accidents occur mainly in the major parking lot on post; at the main PX, the commissary, the cafeteria, and LAMC.

Commonly known as "fender benders", these minor accidents account for 75 percent of all mishaps on post, resulting in damages of less than \$300. "It's mostly driver negligence and unsafe backing. People should look left, then right, and left again when moving in these tight places. All it takes is a little defensive driving.

Misnegotiation is the major problem," noted Mitchell.

"Four out of five tickets issued belong to civilians. But don't let the statistic fool you; there are just a greater number of civilian drivers on post. There are a lot of tourists here, as well as it being a short-cut through the city. And a lot of motorists drive through to look at the scenery. It's just part of being an open post," said Mitchell.

Fortunately, there have been no traffic fatalities on post since 1978.

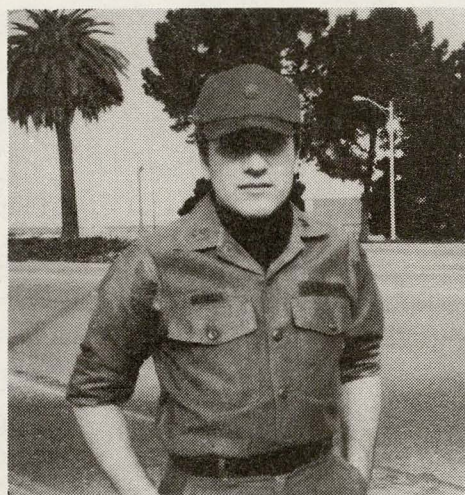
Mitchell warned that Lincoln Blvd. is perhaps the second most hazardous place for cars on post.

Earlier this year a MUNI bus was involved in a head-on collision with a civilian vehicle near the Pershing Housing Area that resulted in minor injuries for the two passengers of the car, one who was a soldier. No one on the bus was reported injured.

Mitchell emphatically emphasized, "People should just take more care in there driving. There are some dangerous spots on post, and because the speed limit is posted at 25 mph doesn't mean you have to go that fast all the time on the roads. There are a lot of curves, and fog that can contribute to accidents if you are inexperienced with these trails."

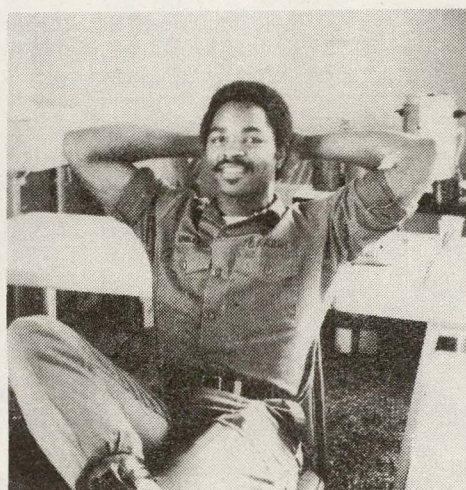
Ramblin' Sam

What do you think of the new PT Program?



Maj. Tom Behuniak, Deputy SJA—"It's not beneficial for all people depending upon their physical condition. There should be more repetitions per exercise and conducted more than once a week for everyone. The PT program is scheduled for the wrong time of the day. It's really a waste of time."

SP5 Dennis Singleton, MISO—"It's a waste of time because PT once a week will not keep a person in shape. It will only break the morale of people who enjoy doing their own form of Physical Program."



PV2 Mark Dinning, USAG, Mail Clerk—"Participation in PT once a week is no good, except if a person does extra PT or they are on the weight program which meets Wednesday and Friday. We should have it every-day if we have to go for PT."

SP5 Norville Fourroux, MISO—"I exert more energy getting out of bed in the morning. It's not enough exercise to benefit a person."



CW4 Russell Dillingham, Parachute Shop—"The PT program should be conducted at least three or five days a week to be more beneficial for everyone. PT once a week will tend to hurt people more than help them. We need a PT program which should be conducted from 3:30 to 4:30 so personnel not living in barracks or housing here could shower."

Reader Opinion

Dear Editor:

Since the installation of the new hoses at the post service station a few weeks ago, getting gas has really been a problem, especially if you drive into the military line and your tank happens to be on the drivers side. **The hoses are too Short and won't reach.**

You have to maneuver your car in such a way, usually at a 45 degree angle, so that the nozzle will reach. The hoses seem to be about 5 feet too short.

The ones that used to be on their were fine. Then, to add to the problem, the new nozzels are clumier than the older ones and the pumps **run slower** now than they used to!

So what's the big improvement? Why did they change the hoses? Will they fix the problems? With high prices, long lines, and occasional shortages, getting gas has been hard enough. But now with the short hoses you can't even reach the tank once you've made it to the pumps.

Is this another measure for us to

conserve fuel?

Sp4 Kenneth P. Juber

Dear Sp4 Juber,

The following answer was provided by Ms. Soundra Bourne, Presidio Exchange manager:

The second generation vapor recovery system hoses, to which you refer have been installed to comply with an order by the California Air Resources Board.

The order also requires that service stations use the shorter vapor hoses. Signs have been posted directing drivers to the proper side of the gasoline pumps.

The delivery rate of the second generation nozzles is about half that of the old nozzles. A 16 gallon tank can be filled in approximately two minutes.

The new system is used to improve air quality in the Bay area. Service stations not complying with this order can be fined up to \$500 a day.

Service station personnel are available at all times to assist customers and to explain the correct usage of the system.

Let's do it together

Presidio Commentary

Adopted from a commentary by Dave Mooney of the Ft. McPherson Sentinel

There is a momentum going and growing throughout the country in support of the military.

A recent gallup poll on public confidence in institutions in American society showed that the **Military Ranked Third**, behind the church and banks. This is an expression of confidence in our ability to do the job we are trained to do.

That job is well expressed in recent sayings and writings of our chief of staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer. He has laid out two basic goals for the Army:

To insure that we have an Army that is capable of going to war today and tomorrow (into the 1990's).

To create a climate within the Army that permits each individual to have the opportunity to fulfill themselves to their total capability.

To do that we first have to:

Man the force. That is the number one priority, for without people, there is no Army.

Modernize the force. Overcome

our ten year break in force development and bring the right equipment into the inventory at the right time with all that is needed to properly train our soldiers to employ and maintain that equipment.

Train the force. With supplies and ammunition and replacements and all the rest of the things our combat support and combat service support units provide—for as long as we have to.

Now if you're looking for challenges, chew on those for awhile. No, better yet, chew on them only a little while and then begin to do something to meet them. It's not the chief, nor the Army staff, nor the generals who are going to get this done. It's all of us. And all of us includes soldiers, officers, NCO's, veterans, students, laborers, insurance men, hotel managers... all Americans.

Think we can do it? I do. With real dedication on the part of those of us who wear a uniform—all the time or part of the time—and with the support of the rest of the people, brought about by an awareness of the missions of the Army, we can do it.

I bet we can do it.

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Readin', writin' and 'rithmetic

Ms. Elizabeth Ruffin, Program Coordinator at the Fort Scott Education Center demonstrates the use of one of the center's video tape machines. The center offers a number of

courses that allow students to complete college work on their own time and at their own pace.

(Photo by Tom Donaghy)

On-post courses set to begin

San Francisco State University, the Marin Community College and the Letterman Army Medical Center Education Center will be offering a variety of courses in the coming weeks.

Registration is now underway at the Fort Scott Education Center, building 1216 and the LAMC Education Center, building 1007, for the next session of San Francisco State University on-post college courses. The term begins Mar. 3 and runs through June 19.

The following courses will be offered:

Holistic Nursing focuses on the student as a developing person and nurse with emphasis on concepts of life, health learning, caring, individuals, stress-adaptation, communication, and the generative concepts of nursing in a complex society.

The class will be held every Tuesday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. in LAIR room ASC3101.

Introductory Psychological Statistics which meets every Thursday from 5-7:45 p.m. is a fail-safe course designed to help the student master the art of statistics. An inexpensive pocket calculator is recommended. The class meets in LAIR room AS3101.

Basic principles of geological interpretation, earth materials and the origin and evolution of landscape are some of the subjects to be discussed in the course, **Investigating the Earth**. The class will be held on Mondays in the Fort Scott

Education Center from 6 to 8:45 p.m.

Understanding one's personal development will be the focus of the course, **Psychology of Personal Development**. The class is set for the Fort Scott Education Center every Monday from 6-8:45 p.m.

Books for the courses will be available for purchase on Mar. 3 at 5:30 p.m. only.

Are you too busy to attend regular college courses? If so, you can enroll in a variety of credit courses on topics ranging from drama to business.

The Marin Community College District is now offering courses which use either television, newspapers, radio or video cassettes to provide instruction to students who can't attend regular classes.

The courses can be completed at the student's own pace and in the comfort of his home or the post library.

For more information about the San Francisco State University or Marin Community College courses contact a counselor at either the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-4900, or the LAMC center at 561-4030.

A mini-course in **Study Skills** will be offered by the LAMC Education Center on Feb. 25 from 12:10 to 1 p.m. in the conference room of building 1050. The course will be repeated at 4:10 p.m. For more information call 561-3692.

If you are looking for a challenge becoming a Prime Power Operator may be just the answer

Tired of the routine and looking for a new challenge? The Army is seeking soldiers interested in becoming prime power operators.

A one year training course at Fort Belvoir, VA., leads to MOS 52E (Prime Power Production Specialist), with an additional skill identifier in either Mechanical (S2), Electrical (S3), Instrumentation (S4), or Health Physics (S5).

Soldiers completing the training will operate and maintain Army nontactical diesel and gas turbine generators. They may also be called on to work with heating, ventilation, air conditioning, boiler operation and power distribution. They may also become involved with energy conservation programs.

Two classes are scheduled each year with a maximum enrollment of 60 students each. Applications are now being accepted for class 80-2, slated to begin May 5, 1980. The following class is scheduled for January 1981.

"We're looking for highly motivated men and

women for this course," a spokesman for the U. S. Army Facilities Engineering Support agency said. "Right now, there are fewer than 300 enlisted soldiers in this field," he added. Slots exist for this specialty at selected sites in Conus, Germany and plans call for opening positions in Hawaii, he said.

To be eligible, applicants must:

Be an E-6 or below.

Agree to serve at least four years from the start of the school.

Have a GT and EL Score of 115 or higher.

Have taken a Basic Math and Science Proficiency Test. To take the test contact your local education office.

For more information and application procedures, write to the U. S. Army facilities engineering support agency, Attn: Chief, Training Division (FESA-TD), Fort Belvoir, VA., 22060, or call Commercial (703) 664-5235/5241 or Autovon 354-5235/5241.

Briefly

No booze please

Soldiers assigned and attached to Headquarters Company, USAG are reminded that alcoholic beverages, except beer, are prohibited from being consumed or stored in the company area.

All barracks residents are being asked to remove all wine and hard liquor from their rooms.

Take those papers

Soldiers planning to use their VA benefits within 60 days after they ETS should get copies of their discharge or release certificate when they separate, according to Veterans Administration (VA) officials.

Copy number four of the discharge or release certificate will assure applications for benefits are promptly processed, officials said.

The new discharge or release certificate, which went into use Oct. 1, 1979, does not show the character of service or type of separation but this information appears on the fourth carbon copy of the certificate. In general, officials said, eligibility for VA benefits requires discharge or release from service under other than dishonorable conditions.

VA receives another copy of the certificate with the eligibility information, officials said, but this copy normally does not reach the local VA office by the time many veterans apply for benefits.

Everyone is equal

Routine space-available travel aboard MAC flights is now being offered on an equal basis regardless of rank, say Military Airlift Command (MAC) officials.

Space-A write-in privileges for senior officers ended on Feb. 1.

The special write-in program, which was available to officers in grades O-6 and above, was stopped because Congress directed an end to the program in the FY 80 defense budget.

Remove converter

Planning to ship your vehicle to your overseas duty station?

If you do, you'll need to have the catalytic converter or catalyst components removed before it's shipped.

According to Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) officials, overseas converter serving facilities may not be able to remove catalytic converters on some vehicles. The emission control system may be too complex or the facility may not have the necessary special parts.

All U.S. terminals, however, have facilities nearby to remove the converters or catalyst parts, according to officials.

Soldiers shipping vehicles equipped with three-way catalyst systems may call MTMC, AUTOVON 289-1744 or Commercial (202) 756-1933 for assistance.

Help is here for your taxes .

by Tom Tiernan

Okay folks get out those tax forms, W-2s, and calculators. I'm going to help you prepare your 1979 income tax return.

I know that some of you are probably thinking, "What does a writer for the Star Presidian know about taxes?"

Well, not much, but Capt. William D. Raymond, legal assistance officer at SJA, is our resident expert on the subject.

The first thing you must know is that **your return is due** at the Internal Revenue Service **by April 15.**

If for some reason, you can't complete the tax form in time, you may obtain an automatic two-month extension by filing a Form 4868 prior to April 15. However, you must also make a tentative tax estimate and pay any amount due.

Soldiers who are PCSing to overseas locations, Alaska and Hawaii not included, get an automatic extension without filing the form 4868. They must attach a note indicating that they were outside the country on April 15. They do not pay the estimated tax.

Determine your status

According to Raymond, determining your filing status should not be a problem. He points out however, **"If you were married, but lived separately from your spouse for the entire tax year and had a dependent child in your home, you may be able to file as a single taxpayer or as a head of household."**

If you and your spouse are residents of a **community property state** such as Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas and Washington, **your income may be considered community property.** This means you have the option of filing a joint return claiming the total income for both spouses, or filing separate returns on which each spouse claims one-half of the community income plus his or her separate earnings.

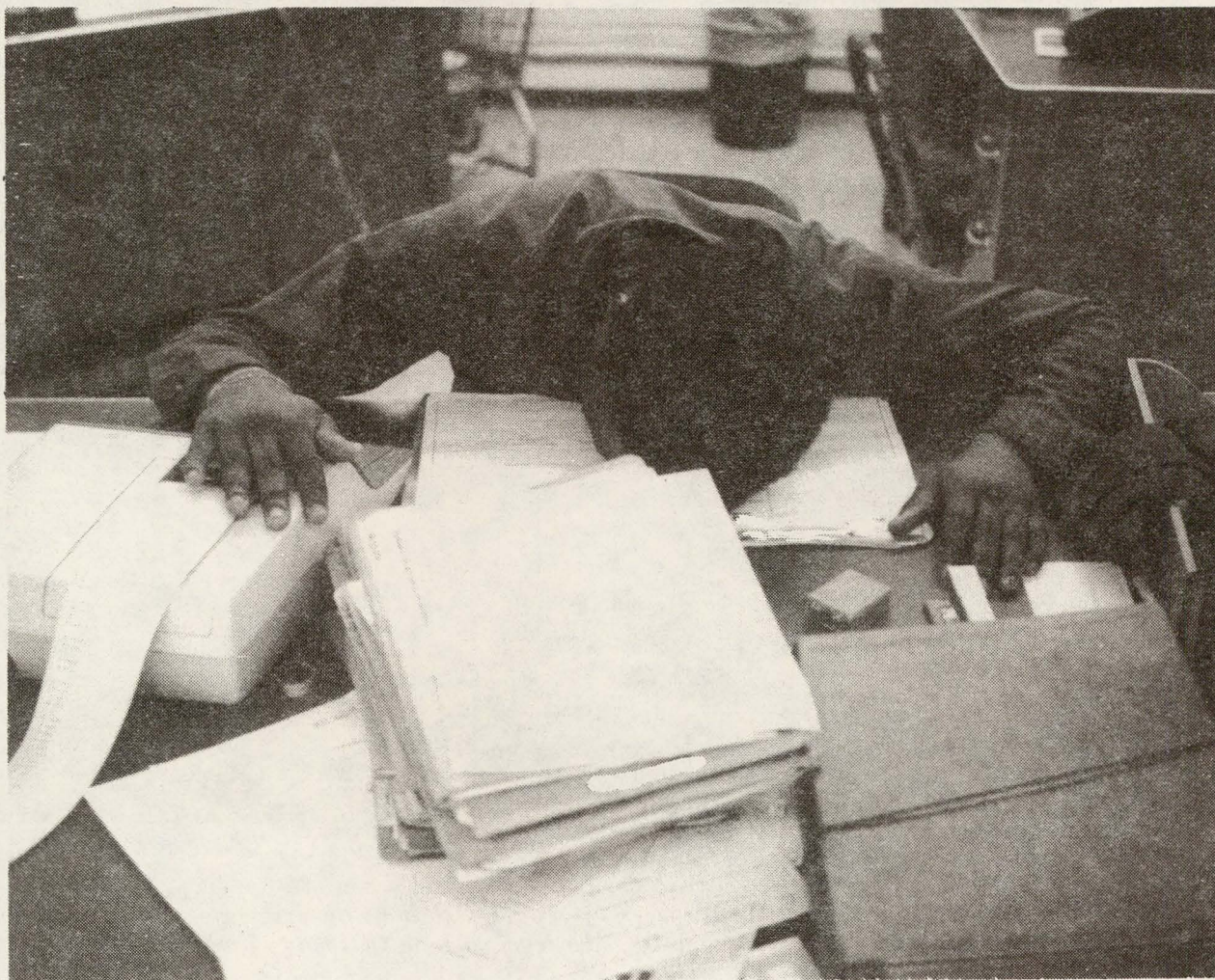
Raymond says that when figuring **income**, soldiers **must include** the following: base, readjustment incentive, severance and special pay, lump-sum payments for accrued leave, reenlistment bonus, severance pay, and dislocation allowance.

Taxes aren't paid on the following items: basic allowance for quarters, basic allowance for subsistence, mustering-out pay, uniform gratuity or clothing allowance, death gratuity, survivor benefit plan amounts withheld from retired pay, disability retired pay, veterans benefits, or a state bonus paid by a state to veterans for service performed for the United States.

When determining the number of dependents you're going to claim, Raymond advises becoming familiar with the five tests, support, gross income, member of household or relationship, citizen and joint return, which determined dependency.

Uniforms don't count

When it comes to deductions, Raymond states that many soldiers think they can deduct the cost of all their uniforms. "Generally the cost and maintenance of uniforms can be deducted if the uniforms are specifically required as a condition of employment, and are not adaptable to general use. **The only uniform which fulfill these conditions is that fatigue uniform.**"



Taxing days ahead

Preparing your income tax return can be a 'taxing' process as this fellow found out. If

Raymond points out that some uniform items such as Sam Browne belts, epaulets, campaign bars and swords for officers are deductible. Reservists may write off the cost of maintenance of their uniforms if regulations restrict the wear of the uniform except while performing duties as a reservist.

"Even those who do not itemize their deductions can reduce their tax liability," comments Raymond. "If they have an adjustments to income or are eligible to claim tax credits.

Moving expenses for which you are not reimbursed by the government, **alimony payments** and **business-related travel** expenses while away from home are adjustments to income **which are** of interest to soldiers.

Disability income exclusion, a more restrictive form of the old "sick pay" exclusion is also considered as an adjustment to income, according to Raymond. Under this exclusion, a taxpayer under retirement age may be able to deduct part of his retired pay from income if permanently and totally disabled when retired.

Forfeited interest penalties on long-term deposit programs are deductible as adjustments to income if the interest to which the penalties have been applied have already been reported as income.

Credits help

Another way to reduce your liability is through tax credits which are subtracted directly from your tax.

you need help contact your unit tax officer. (Photo by Tom Donaghy)

Credits most likely to apply to military families include:

Credit for expenses incurred for the care of a child or disabled dependent for the purpose of enabling the parent or sponsor to work.

Credit for the elderly. You may qualify for this credit if you are age 65 or older or are under age 65 but receive a taxable pension or annuity from a public retirement such as the military retirement system.

Residential energy credit. You are entitled to a tax credit for a portion of the expense incurred in installing your home with energy conserving devices and renewable energy sources such as solar heating systems.

Political contributions also qualify as tax credits. One-half of your political or newsletter fund contribution made for the purpose of assisting a candidate for election to political office. The credit is limited to \$50 on a separate return or \$100 on a joint return.

If you earned income and adjusted gross income are less than \$10,000 for the year and you maintained a household in the United States which was the main home for you and your dependent child, you may be entitled to the **earned income credit.** (See related story this page)

Raymond points out that there have been several changes in the tax law which affect taxpayers.

"The amount allowed for personal exemptions **Continued on page 5**

Earned Income Credit equals extra buck\$

If you are married, earned less than \$10,000 last year and have a child living at home, you may qualify for an Earned Income Credit, according to Miss Marian Kemp, chief of Finance Services, Presidio Finance office.

Earned income credit is the amount you may be able to subtract from your annual taxes or get a refund on—even if you had no tax withheld from your pay. This credit can be as much as \$500.

According to Kemp, to qualify for the

credit you must be married, file a joint return or file as the head of the household, must have earned less than \$10,000 last year and must have at least one child who lives at home except when at school or on vacation.

If you are eligible for the earned income credit, you may also find that you can receive advance earned income credit payments throughout the year. The advance payments are only available to soldiers stationed in the 50 states and the District of

Columbia.

To apply for the payment you must file Internal Revenue Service Form W-5 with the finance office. If you received the payments last year, you must refile the W-5 to continue receiving the payments this year.

For military personnel, both information and W-5 forms may be obtained from finance services, in building, or by calling 561-4035. Civilian personnel are asked to call the civilian pay, section at 561-5135 or 3144.

Clyde communicates through acting

Bill Clyde likes to have fun and communicate with people.

One way he does this is through a hobby he's been following for many years—acting.

Clyde, chief of the Training and Development Branch at CPO, is currently involved in the production of "Purlie Victorious" at the Presidio Playhouse.

Winner of the 1979 Presidio Man of the Year Award for his contributions to the Federal Women's Program, Clyde believes that acting is a way of communicating thoughts and ideas to the audience.

"A good actor can become a channel through which a good playwright can communicate to audiences," Clyde explains. "This open line of expression to the mind of others serves to expand ideas.

"An actor gets to observe at close range roles, stereotypes, and modes of living that many people don't even know exist," Clyde continued.

The part time performer said that although acting is fun it is also hard work. "Acting is a demanding craft and anyone choosing to pursue it as a career has my admiration."

The hard work is worth it to Clyde who says, "An actor is enriched by becoming such a channel and being exposed to new, different and outrageous things because, as some one once told me: **A mind expanded by a new idea can never return to its original shape.**

"The stage is my classroom, where I get to meet people who have a natural inclination to expand their awareness," Clyde concluded.

Clyde and his fellow "Purlie Victorious" cast members open tonight at 8 p.m. with performances scheduled for every Friday and Saturday through March 9.



Three for the road

Bill Clyde (left) and castmates Ralph White and Karl Heller rehearse a scene from the

upcoming production of "Purlie Victorious" (Photo by Ken Juber)

IRS Ombudsman can help with taxes

Taxpayers now have a new source of help in solving tax-related problems, according to an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) official.

An Ombudsman position has been created to help solve taxpayers problems not satisfactorily resolved through present IRS channels.

According to the IRS official, the Ombudsman will serve as the taxpayer's advocate in anticipating tax problems.

The 58 district-level problem resolution program (PRP) offices will at 8 p.m. with handle

individual taxpayer problems involving billing, procedural, computer-related and other errors that have not been corrected through normal channels, according to the official. Last year, over 72,000 problems were handled by the PRP.

A problem which might be handled by the PRP office would be a tax refund problem which had not been solved after three months or more, the spokesman offered. In this case, the taxpayer would be referred to the PRP office. The Ombudsman would get involved only if the problem

resolution officer could not satisfactorily solve the problem.

The Ombudsman, who will be an assistant to the IRS commissioner, will also be responsible for reviewing IRS policies and procedures. The new IRS official will recommend changes in IRS procedures that have caused taxpayers problems, explained the IRS spokesman.

The address for the new office is: Ombudsman Office, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20224.

Are you going to vote?

by Jim Breen

"Nah," sez you, "I'm not going to vote. I'm away from home and, besides, one vote doesn't count much."

"Bull," sez I, "if every member of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines) voted in the presidential election, the final count would be more than two million votes."

"So what," sez you, "that ain't so many votes."

"Bull," sez I, "that's more votes than Lincoln got in the 1860 election."

"Hey, man," sez you, "this ain't 1860. Where you been?"

"Right on," sez I. "But if every servicemember voted in the next election it would surpass the total votes cast in the 1976 presidential election in South Carolina, Rhode Island, New Mexico, Alaska and the District of Columbia, combined, for both candidates."

"Weeeelll, those states ain't the biggies," sez you.

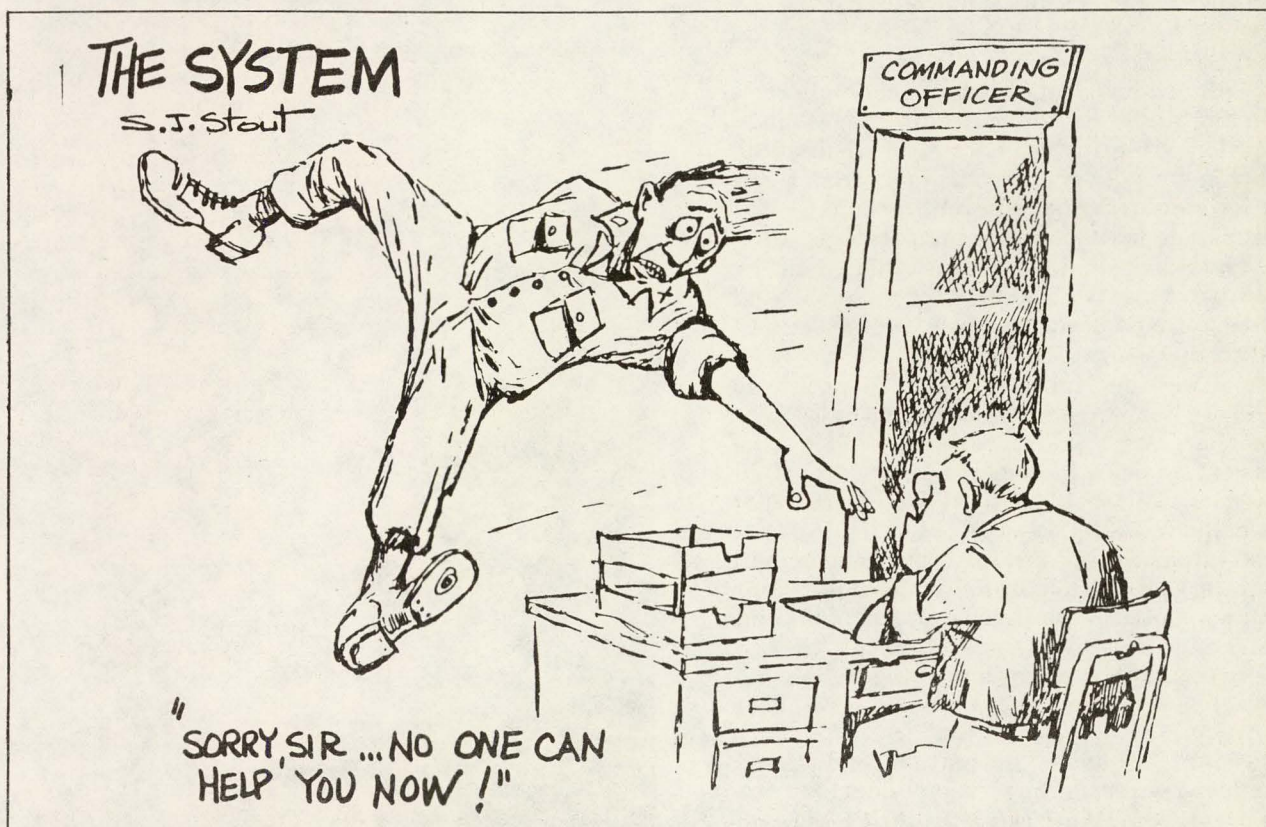
"Maybe not," sez I, "but if every guy and gal in the service voted in 1980 it would surpass the total votes cast in '76 for both candidates in each state except 10."

"No kiddin'," sez you.

"No kiddin'," sez I. "You gonna vote in '80?"

"Maybe," sez you.

"No bull?" sez I.



Taxes

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and exemptions for dependents has increased to \$1,000," Raymond commented.

The standard mileage rate for use of your car for business purposes is 18½ cents for the first 15,000 miles.

"The gasoline tax deduction has been repealed," remarked Raymond, "and you may no longer take a deduction for state and local taxes on gasoline, diesel and other motor fuels not used for business investment.

Now that I've got you totally confused, you're probably wondering how you're going to figure this out. It's really simple, contact your unit tax officer for help.

According to Raymond, most of the tax officers have attended a four day course conducted by the IRS and should answer most of your questions.

Just remember, there are only two sure things in life, death and taxes and your taxes are due April 15.

Is spit shining a lost art?

Linda D. Kozaryn
Associate Editor; ARNEWS

Over the past 200 years, soldiers have spent 9,478,542 hours spit-shining combat boots, according to the U.S. Army trivia research agency (USATRA), Fort Littlefax, Ark.

"Gathering the information was a formidable task," said Mr. Minor Detail, USATRA project officer. "Some people have mastered the art and can bring a pair of jump-boots to a glossy shine in 20 minutes. Of course, these individuals have a tendency to spend another 20 minutes gazing at their reflection in the toe," he added.

For others, the process becomes a frustrating chore requiring hours of patience, countless cotton balls and elbow grease," he said.

"In the three years we've spent studying spit-shining—the time and patience involved, I've come to recognize this skill as an 'art' requiring a very special talent," Detail said. "This art, I'm afraid, may well be lost," he prophesized.

Our fictitious Mr. Detail may well be right. Future soldiers may never have to develop this

talent—master this art. They'll never have black polish under their fingernails, edge-dressing stains on their hands or cherish the sight of a mirror-finish toe and heel.

By 1986, soldiers may be wearing boots that need no polishing—an 'earth-brown' rough leather boot resembling a good pair of hiking boots. In fact, the sole of this 'boot of the future' was designed in Italy and has been used by mountain climbers for about 40 years.

Some may say, "We're going back to the 'brown shoe' Army" 'CBrown' in color. Yes, but hopefully that's where the similarity will end.

The new brown boots being developed by the Natick Army Research and Development Command (NARADCOM) will have the rough side of the leather on the outside making them more water repellant. Soft, 'glove' leather will line the inside for comfort.

Like the combat boot of today, the brown boot will have a 'cut-out notch' on the eyelet row allowing the ankle to flex normally. A 'snow tire' tread heel and sole will give better traction and stability.

Shielding the bottom of the foot will be a spike resistant insole plate and, for all the toe-stubbers and hammer droppers, a steel toe has been added.

Although spit-shining will become a task of the past, the new boots will need some care. A kit containing an earth-brown dye and silicone water repellant will be issued. A hard bristle brush will remove most dust and dirt while soap and water will clean most stains.

A shiny spot caused by repeated rubbing will, in fact, be a No-No. The boots are designed for wear with the new camouflage uniform and the rough surface serves a purpose. The black shiny surface of the combat boot now in use can be detected by electronic surveillance equipment.

Black edge-dressing stains will be replaced by earth-brown dye stains and cotton balls by a stiff brush. The 'art' of spit-shining may well be lost.

When asked to comment on the 'boot of the future,' Mr. Detail was unavailable. Since our interview he had retired and is now working as a marketing specialist for Keewee Polish Company.

Off Post

by Tom Tiernan

Let me be the first to wish you a **Happy New Year**.

I bet some of you are thinkin I'm either a little late or really getting a jump on 1981, well you're all wrong.

Tomorrow marks the Chinese New Year and the city of San Francisco is coming alive with colorful parades and celebrations to welcome the "Year of the Monkey."

Although the celebration began last week, its main thrust won't begin until next week. There are, however, a number of activities next week that you can witness.

On Monday, a federal holiday, as many as 12 teams of ceremonial lion dancers will perform in the streets of Chinatown and in the 400 to 800 blocks of Clement Street, known as "New Chinatown." If you're in the area, stop by and check out the action.

Next Saturday, more lion dancers will participate in a noon-hour pageant on Union Square.

The highlight of the Year of the Monkey celebration will bring out not only a whole pride of dancing lions but also eleven giants from Hong Kong for a **colorful parade on Mar. 1.**

The parade featuring illuminated floats, Miss Chinatown USA finalists, dozens of lion dancers, a Ch'ing dynasty wedding procession and hundreds of customized marchers and musicians, will start at 7 p.m. at Market and Battery Streets traveling west on Market Street to Kearney, up Kearney to Jackson where it will end.

Bleacher seat tickets are being sold by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for \$9. To obtain the tickets visit their office at 730 Sacramento St. or call 982-3000.

Festival schedules area available at the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau's downtown center in the Hallidie Plaza on Market Street.

Of course, there are other things going on around town besides the Chinese New Year celebration.

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department will sponsor a **free concert by the Giles Brothers Band beginning at noon on Union Square tomorrow.**

With the weather warming up and rain drying up, it's a nice time to take a walk around **Golden Gate Park.**

Visitors to the park report a wide variety of spring blossoms can be seen offering a breathtaking stroll.

There's no admission fee to the park.

Conductor Robert Hughes will lead the **Arch Ensemble for Experimental music** in a concert of new music by American composers Roscoe Mitchell, Pauline Oliveros and Peter Lopez at San Francisco State University's Knuth Hall on **Feb. 22 at 8 p.m.**



A tree is a tree

If you walk in Golden Gate Park we can't guarantee you find trees such as these, but we're sure you'll find something you like. By

the way, these trees don't normally look like this, it's just an old photo lab trick. (Photo by Ken Juber)

Sports

Post crown battle set for Wed.

The double elimination Post Championship Basketball Tournament has now narrowed its field of competitors down to six teams with the 864th Engineers and the 170th MP Co. still in the winner's bracket and Sixth Army, 16th AG, USAG No. 1 and USAG No. 2 in the loser's bracket.

Last Monday night's first game in the second round of the loser's bracket, saw USAG No. 2 handily defeat USACC, 50-40. USAG No. 2 was lead by **Rick Bogges** who scored 16 points and in a losing cause USACC was lead by **Ron Black's** 18 point performance.

In the second game, with both teams also in the loser's bracket, Sixth Army totally dominated the game against LAIR No. 2, winning 52-21 despite the absence of their leading rebounder and shot blocker, **O. B. McCane**.

Throughout the game, Sixth Army's ace tack, Clipper, constantly found his target, scoring a game high 24 points.

The third game, which was in the winner's bracket, pitting the Engineer's inside game against USAG No. 1's outside game.

The Engineers prevailed 61-46 by wearing USAG No. 1 out with their great bench depth.

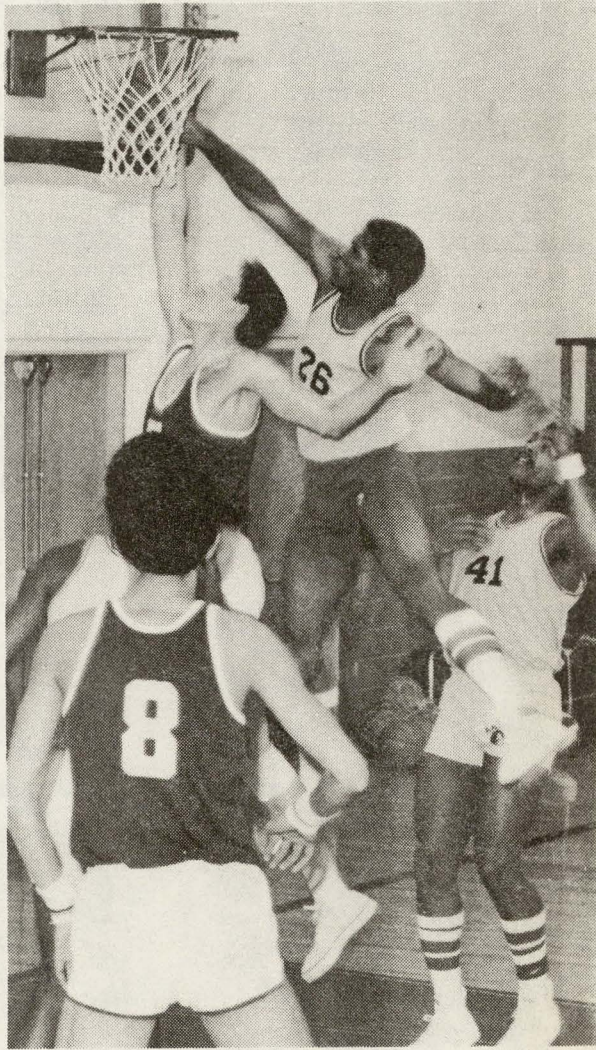
For winners had **Bill Sales** and **Mike Adams** scored 16 and 14 points respectively, and the loser's **Rich Wood** and **Bob Dillard** tossed in 14 points apiece.

In the fourth game, the 170th MP Co. emerged the victor over 16th AG, 58-54.

The MPs had three men in double figures, as **Tom Moss** tallied 12, **Bill Howell** scored 15, and **Jeff Leftwich** had 16.

The 16th AG had two men in double figures, **Rick Jacobs** with 20 points and **Ron Hamilton** with 16 points.

The finals of the Post Championship Tournament will be held at Gym No. 1 at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday.



All-Army team battles Chinese

The All-Army Basketball Team, training here at the Presidio, had a real taste of international competition Feb. 12 as they hosted a junior team from the People's Republic of China in a 40 minute scrimmage game at the Post Gym.

The game, arranged on Feb. 8 by the Public Affairs Office, was played under international rules and provided a good tune-up for the upcoming interservice championships to be held in March.

The Chinese team, according to Presidio Sports Director Bob Gascon, was fundamentally sound but "lacked power under the boards." Although no formal scores were kept, the Army team was

vastly superior to the young Chinese players.

The Chinese team was at the Presidio as the final stop in their American tour. Immediately after the game, they left for their home on mainland China.

The Army team, coached by James Weaver, is in the final stages of preparation for the Interservice Championships to be held at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, beginning March 3. An all-star team will then be selected from the interservice squads to represent the armed forces in the National AAU Championships scheduled for St. Augustine, Florida, March 27-30.

East meets West

A member of the All-Army Basketball team and his Chinese opponents battle for the ball during an exhibition game played on Monday. (Photo by Ken Juber)

Presidio teams lead DYA league

The Presidio Spurs stayed tied with the Rockets for first place with an easy 31-19 victory over Oakland Army Base No. 3. **Mike Mechelhoff** continued his high scoring ways by contributing 15 points. **Craig Johnson** tallied eight points and **Jacqueline Sowell** produced strong defensive rebounding for the Spurs.

The Presidio Rockets, led offensively by **Jim Untalan** and **Tony Jett**, romped to two easy victories last week.

The Rockets beat Treasure Island No. 4 58-12 and then did the same to Oakland Army Base No. 3, winning 45-16.

Keith Brazille and **Jeff Hill** played strong defensive ball in aiding the Rockets to their two wins.

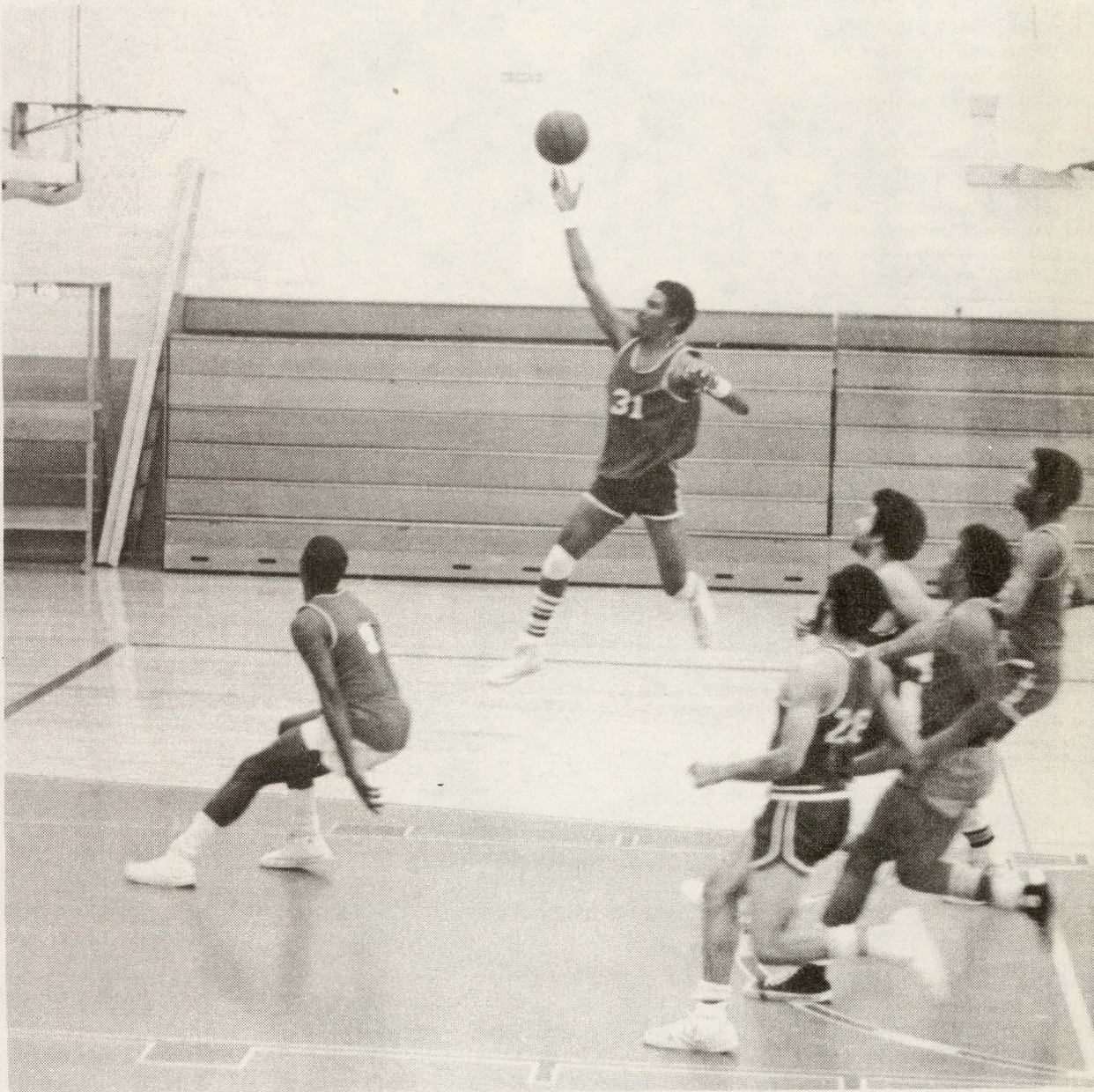
With one week of league play remaining, it's still a two team race between the Rockets and the Spurs. Other game results:

Oakland Army Base No. 3: 31 T.I. No. 5: 16
T.I. No. 5: 36 T.I. No. 4: 12
Rockets: 39 T.I. No. 5: 8

LEAGUE STANDINGS		
TEAM	WON	LOST
ROCKETS	10	1
SPURS	9	1
OARB No. 3	4	7
T.I. No. 5	4	7
T.I. No. 4	0	11

Volleyball set

A pre-league volleyball clinic and intramural play will be held Feb. 25 at 1 p.m. The clinic will be conducted by Mr. Jim Ragasa for coaches managers, players and officials.



I fly through the air

Frank Murray, of USAG, seems to fly through the air on his way to the basket but his field

goal was no use as his team lost to the 864th Engineers. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Presidio News Notes

Course announced

Columbia College, a degree-granting institution which has had classes in the Bay Area since 1975, will offer a wide range of courses during its next session, Mar. 17 to May 10.

Classes are held on post during evening hours and are tailored to fit an accelerated eight-week format. The school has a policy of assessing military experience and schooling for academic credit.

Columbia is sponsored by Navy Campus for Achievement at Treasure Island and Hamilton Air Force Base, and by the Army Education Center at Oakland Army Base.

Offerings at Hamilton will be Accounting I, Current Issues in Business, and History of the American West.

At Treasure Island, Columbia will offer Economics II, Human Sexuality, Twentieth Century American Diplomatic History, Introduction to Data Processing, English Composition II, and Corporation Finance.

Scheduled for Columbia's Oakland Army Base campus are Military Justice Systems, Statistics, Administrative Office Management, General Psychology, and American Political Parties.

Prospective students can learn more about the Columbia Program by calling Larry Blades or Linda Rudolph at (415) 397-5613. Presidio personnel who have not received educational counseling should contact the education offices at 561-4900.

Disco all-night

The Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club will rock to the sounds of the "Who Doo Rhythm Devils" tonight from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

The club also offers a special Prime Rib buffet from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Friday.

Tomorrow there'll be all night disco with "Arrival" and "Doc Webb and Company" from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Cover charge is just \$2.

Special meal set

The USAG dining facility will hold its monthly "Specialty Nite", Feb. 20 in building 101B.

A large bill of fare is scheduled to include: shrimp cocktail, steamship round, grilled New York steaks, baked potatoes, and assorted vegetables, desserts, and drinks.

The dinner will be served between 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., and all military personnel and their guests are invited to attend.

The price of the meal is \$1.70 for all persons except those with meal cards.

Dance tonight

The Presidio Officer's Club will hold a **Valentine Sweetheart dinner-dance** tonight from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Free corsages will be presented to the ladies.

The club now has a special "singles table" for those dining alone. No reservations are required, just ask the hostess for a seat at the "Captains table for lone diners."

Ski trips planned

Space is still available for enlisted personnel E-1 through E-4 who are barracks residents on the following ski trips sponsored by the Recreation Center: Feb. 22-24, Mar. 7-9, Mar. 21-23, April 11-13, April 25-27.

Cost for the trip is \$19, which includes transportation, lodging, food, skis & boots and ski lift tickets. Lodging is provided in one of the Outdoor Recreation Condominiums at Alpine Meadows. A down payment of \$15 to the Recreation Center confirms space.

Space is also available for tomorrow's Hearst Castle and San Simeon tour which departs at 8 a.m. for military personnel and their dependents. Reservists and retirees may sign up on a space available basis. Cost is \$6 per person which includes transportation and tour admission.

For additional information about the above items and other Recreation Center activities, please call the 561-2000 after 2 p.m. Ticket sales and discount cards are distributed daily after 4 p.m.

Craft classes planned

A **beginners and intermediate jewelry class** will begin Feb. 20, and be held every Wednesday evening, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for eight weeks. There is a \$10 fee, and projects will be made from silver, brass, and copper.

A **beginners lapidary class** will be offered Feb. 26, and every Tuesday evening for eight weeks from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$7.50.

A **wheel pottery class** will start Feb. 19, and will be held every Tuesday evening for six weeks, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. There is a \$7.50 charge per person.

Active duty military will given priority. However, in case of space available, retired military, dependants, and DA civilians are urged to sign up also. Stop by the Post Craft Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

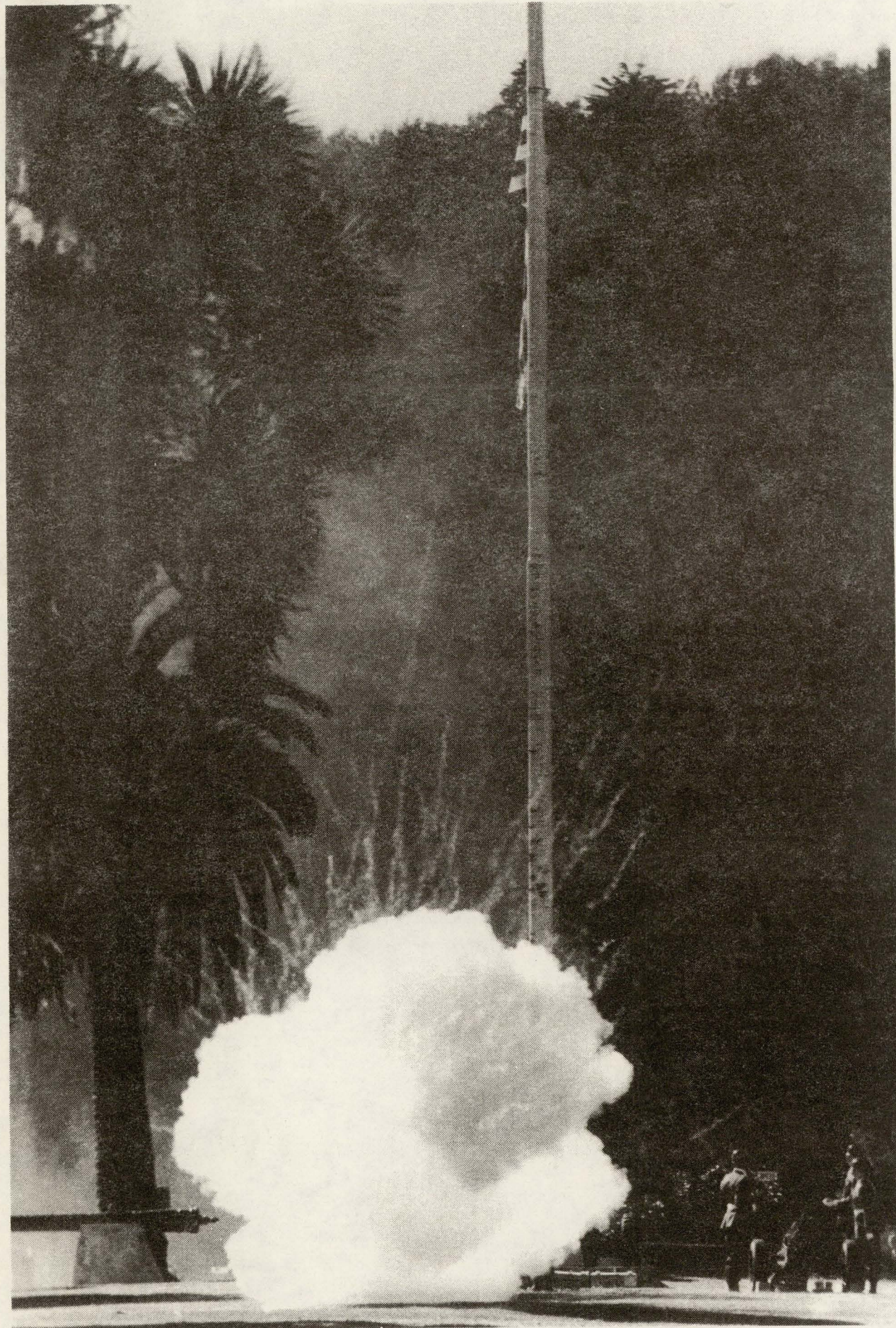
Movies

Presidio

Feb. 18—"...And Justice For All" (R)
Feb. 19—Patrick (PG)
Feb. 20—Hair (PG)
Feb. 21—The Legacy (R)
Feb. 22—The Legacy (R)

Schwartz Letterman Theater

Feb. 15—Killer Fish (PG)
Feb. 18—Beyond the Poseidon Adventure (PG)
Feb. 19—"10" (R)
Feb. 20—"Escape to Athena" (PG)
Feb. 21—Saint Jack (R)
Feb. 22—A Force of One (PG)



Gone up in smoke

A cloud of smoke burst from the salute cannon on Pershing Square as part of a 19 gun salute fired Monday in honor of a former U.S. Army chief of Staff who had died. Post photographer John Green caught the photo to take

the Photo of the Week honors. The Star Presidian welcomes submissions from all post photographs both amateur and professional. For more information call 561-3908 or stop by our newsroom in room 219 of building 36.

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Bus and laundry service may be affected

Army to study 23 post jobs

by Bob Mahoney

The post laundry and bus service are now being examined as part of an Army wide study to determine the feasibility of converting in house operations to commercial contracts, according to Harlan Fiser, chief of administration and management in the Directorate of Industrial Operations.

Some 23 jobs could be affected by the study.

The study is actually in the first year of a five year phased program that will look into several different types of activities for possible conversion.

The program covers those functions referred to by the Federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as commercial industrial type activities

(CITA) and has been part of an overall government policy in various forms since 1955.

Paul Nickerson, who works with Fiser in D10, has been designated as the Installation CITA Coordinator. According to him, it is the policy of the government to rely on private enterprise to supply the products and services needed by the government as long as it is cost effective and does not affect combat readiness.

"The process by which the decision to convert or not to convert is reached is extremely complex," continued Nickerson.

Overall, more than 30 Army installations are part of the most recent phase of the study. Involved are activities as diverse as insect and rodent control at Fort Ord, the clothing sales store at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and rail

maintenance at the Military Ocean Terminal at Bayonne, N. J.

Career employees at the Presidio and throughout the Army who may be affected by conversion to commercial contract will be given maximum assistance in continuing their careers as government employees through assignment to other positions in the Department of Defense or other federal agencies. In addition, in cooperation with the Department of Labor and state employment services, assistance will be given to employees in locating positions in private industry.

Where appropriate, affect employees will be given the opportunity to undertake retraining programs to qualify them for jobs available in their local labor markets.

Rain storm leaves its mark

High winds and heavy rains took their toll on the Presidio last weekend during the fourth winter storm of the season.

The gale-like winds uprooted trees, blew down telephone lines while heavy rains caused sewers to back up and streets to flood.

According to Mr. Edward Crane, chief of the utilities division at the Facilities Engineering, falling branches and high winds contributed to two power failures which affected Forts Baker, Berry, Scott and parts of the Presidio on Saturday and Monday.

"Our crews put in over \$1,000 in overtime in order to restore electricity," points out Crane.

The monsoon-like rains also played havoc with the post as the sewer system became over loaded causing flooding in basements and garages. "The worse case," states Crane, "occurred at Fort Barry where a sewer backed up leaving several inches of water in one set of quarters."

Several trees were uprooted by the winds, according to Mr. Bob Tallman, acting chief of the buildings and grounds division.

One tree fell across Kobbe Avenue, blocking traffic and another fell on a 1979 car parked on MacArthur Ave causing extensive damage to the entire length of the vehicle.

No one was in the car at the time of the accident.

The rains also caused soil erosion in several areas around post and created several new potholes in Presidio roads.

The weather caused only minor disruption to the communications systems. According to Mr. Harold Wilson, supervisor of telephone repair, only two lines were affected by the storm. One was blown down by the wind and the other came down with a falling tree.

Apparently most people started home over the weekend as Military Police reported no increase in the number of accidents over the three-day break.

At press time weather forecasters were calling for the rain to end by today or tomorrow.



Presidio lumber jack

Bill Diangson, an employee with the Directorate of Facilities Engineering, cuts up part of one of the many trees downed by last

weekend's rain storm. The heavy rain caused damage throughout the post. (Photo by Debbie Miller)

Korea will wait for dads-to-be

PFC John Stone's wife is pregnant with their first child. A few more months and he'll be a father, an occasion he wouldn't miss for anything in the world. But, Uncle Sam has other ideas. John is on orders for Korea.

What can John do? According to Capt. William T. Babylon, chief of COMPACT, if a soldier's port call is scheduled during his wife's eighth month of pregnancy, his departure may be postponed for up to six weeks after the baby is born. It may be delayed even longer if complications arise.

Babylon says the soldier must ask for a 'pregnancy deferment' at his home station. Some soldiers are waiting until they outprocess from their old unit and go on PCS leave to ask for a deferment, the COMPACT chief points out.

Requests for pregnancy deferments submitted after the soldier has left his unit are only considered in emergency situations, Babylon stressed.

Pregnant women soldiers who receive overseas orders must also request a pregnancy deferment

through the installation commander. Their orders will be changed or cancelled since pregnant soldiers are not normally sent overseas.

Those who want to go overseas must ask for an exception to policy from Milpercen. Usually, Babylon said, exceptions are granted for women in the early stages of pregnancy. Exceptions will not be made, however, for women on orders to unaccompanied short tour areas.

Women soldiers again become eligible for overseas assignment six weeks after they're released from the hospital.

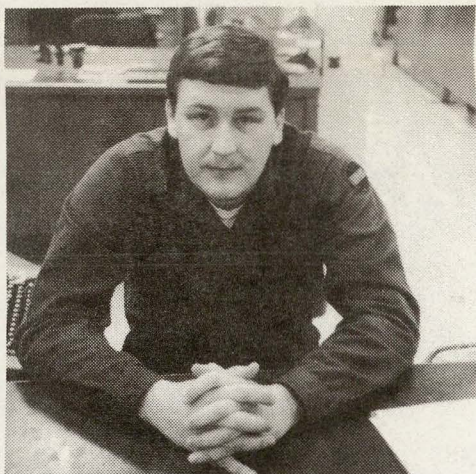
Ramblin' Sam

What do you do to stay physically fit?



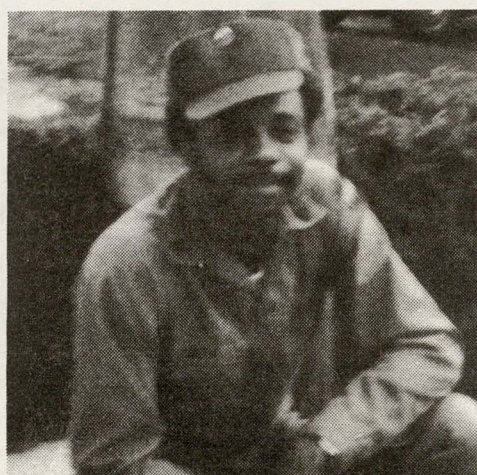
Miss Serena Rhone, COMPACT—"When I feel like it I'll do some exercises. I have an exercise booklet and follow the guidelines. For lunch I'll always bring carrots, celery, lettuce, apples, and oranges."

Cpl Warren Stern, USAG—"I practice mind control techniques. I try to stay away from junk foods, and I feel I'm in good health."



PFC Dave McHenry, COMPACT—"I stay in shape by eating the right kinds of healthy foods and occasional jogging, and that's all. I think I'm very healthy."

Ann Teague, CPO—"I work hard and I jog almost 3 miles a day if it's not raining, and I eat the right foods; a small amount of chicken and fish, and vegetables. I don't eat many sweets."



Sgt. Phillip Scott, TMP—"I run three times a week with my lady so we'll both keep in shape. I really enjoy the Hot Tubs after a good workout at a gym in Marin County."

Reader Opinion

Editor's Note: The following commentary was written by **SSgt. Freddica R. Pulliam** of the **Division of Nutrition Technology at the Letterman Army Institution of Research** and is the **winner of the Black History Week Contest in the enlisted category.**

Other winners in the contest included Ms. Amanda Hill in the dependent category and Ms. Edith Brown a civilian with the Department of Ambulatory Care at Letterman Army Medical Center.

Black history is actually Black awareness. It is an awareness of the injustices of man against his fellow man. It is an awareness of man's ability to struggle against insurmountable odds and leap the obstacles of ignorance, poverty, misrepresentation, apathy and servilness. It is a recognition of unsung merits of people like: Benjamin Banneker, James Derham, Edward Griffin, Ira Aldridge, Blanche Bruce, Granville Woods, Charles Drew and Lewis Wright.

But it is not only an awareness of the struggle of the Black man. For, if you look closely into the pages of history, you would read of similar plights of similar people. You would read of similar obstacles and similar feats of perseverance.

Even though Black Americans existed under a system of second class citizenship, alien Asians in America in the 1800's were denied citizenship all together.

Immigration laws limited citizenship to "free white" persons and those of African descent. Looked down upon because they were different and therefore thought less than human, many considered the oriental as being of a race "lower than that of the negro."

Because of their ineligibility for citizenship, Japanese, Chinese and those of "mutual racial stock" were not allowed to own land and were prevented from entering certain professions. This tendency to lump all peoples of a race together, regardless of nationality is a discredit to the many different sub-cultures that develop independently of each other.

A proliferation of this occurred here in 1905, when the San Francisco Board of Education in an attempt to "protect white children from being affected by association

with pupils of the Mongolian race" compelled all "Chinese, Japanese and Korean" children to attend a single segregated school, disregarding the difficulty of educating these children because of their differences in heritage, culture and language and enhancing distrust and misunderstanding.

In the early history of America, Blacks were not the only people pressed into slavery. Forced into involuntary servitude, American Indians "were reduced to the same level as the black slaves and were subject to the same slave codes."

Because they shared a common plight, Blacks and Indians helped one another escape their bondage. "They not only lived together, plotted together... but also intermarried. Many blacks—both free and slave chose to live with Indian tribes and adopt Indian customs, and reared their children in the Indian traditions," states a writer for **Ebony** magazine.

These injustices created bonds of brotherhood between the Red man and the Black which still exist today.

For the Hispanic American, as well as Blacks, unemployment is high, especially among the young people. For those who have found jobs, income is usually low. Migrant labor and unskilled jobs are common. Only about 20 per cent of the people hold white collar jobs.

Currently many Hispanic Americans are migrating away from the farms into the cities. There, like their Black brother, many must face the horrors of the ghetto. There, they must face the rats and roaches, the overcrowding and the drugs.

Forget not those people shunned because of their religious preference or simply because they speak with a foreign accent.

Our nation is a vast soup pot of peoples. Each adding a little flavor to make it so unbelievably wonderful. But the wonderfulness of our nation does not reach all it's people. For so many, the struggle for a decent life still exist.

This is what Black History Week means to me. It means not only a time for Black awareness but a time for Human Awareness. Because it is a perpetual thorn in the side of our nation. Lest we forget. For "people who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

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Army offers help with college costs

by Wes Williams
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Look around the Presidio. Check the mid-for-tyish army officer driving the seven-year-old car or the secretary with last year's dress. In more than a few cases they share a common problem. It's called putting the son or daughter through college—at a time when this feat calls for financial sacrifices beyond the call of duty.

But there are options which these parents should explore.

There are 6,500 scholarships available under the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program. Each year, 700-1,000 of these are given to college freshmen. They pay for four years of tuition, books and many fees. If you pick one of the expensive private colleges which host ROTC, four years could be worth more than \$15,000. But there's more.

We said there were 6,500 scholarships and there are. There are also two and three-year versions. Which means the freshman who was not selected can apply again. Some of the two-year scholarships are given to cadets who attend the basic camp.

Basic camp is a six-week stint at Fort Knox, KY, which students usually attend between their sophomore and junior years. Basic camp is for those who came to a four-year campus from a junior college which did not offer ROTC or for others who started too late for the four-year program.

There's still more. Scholarship cadets are paid up to \$1,000 per year at the rate of \$100 per month as a subsistence allowance. This goes on as long as their scholarships are in effect. Add another \$500 or more for attending the advanced camp between the junior and senior years.

Mom and dad, there are almost 300 colleges and universities which offer ROTC. And, ROTC scholarships are based on merit, not need. Getting one is not the easiest thing in the world. But then nothing worthwhile figures to be easy.

We also have another offer which just hit the stores this summer. It's called the simultaneous membership program (SMP). The title is forgettable, but the benefits are memorable. Under the SMP, a cadet can be a member of the Army Reserve or National Guard at the same time he or she is taking part in advanced ROTC.

This means the cadet, as an officer trainee,

will receive drill pay from the reserve or guard as a sergeant along with the traditional \$100 per month subsistence allowance from ROTC. This could add up to as much as \$10,000 in four years of college depending upon when you enter the SMP and the training options selected.

There are a variety of ways to enter the SMP. The professor of military science at your favorite institution offering Army ROTC is the resident expert in this regard.

We must point out that Army ROTC is not a free lunch. There are requirements to be met and there are demands on time. For scholarship cadets, there is a four-year commitment to serve on active duty as part of the obligation.

ROTC scholarships and the SMP do offer viable alternatives to existing in gentile poverty while putting John or Joan through college. Plus there's the opportunity for John or Joan to do something important for their country.

If this seems worthwhile to you, take the first positive step to doing something about it. Make an appointment with the nearest professor of military science at San Francisco State University or write Army ROTC, Fort Monroe, VA., 23651 for details.

Missed drills could mean discharge or IRR

Enlisted National Guardsman and Reservists will no longer be ordered to active duty for repeatedly missing drills, according to Lt. Col. D. Ross Smith, assistant chief of staff for personnel and administration, at Sixth Army.

Beginning Mar. 1, enlisted Reserve Component members who have nine or more unexcused absences in a year will be considered by administrative separation boards for transfer to the individual Ready Reserve (IRR) or discharge.

Previously, these members could be ordered to active duty or active duty for training. **"We had approximately 600 individuals in the Sixth Army area last year who were ordered to active duty for periods of time from 45 days**

to two years," said Smith. "Now they can be transferred to the IRR to complete their six year obligation."

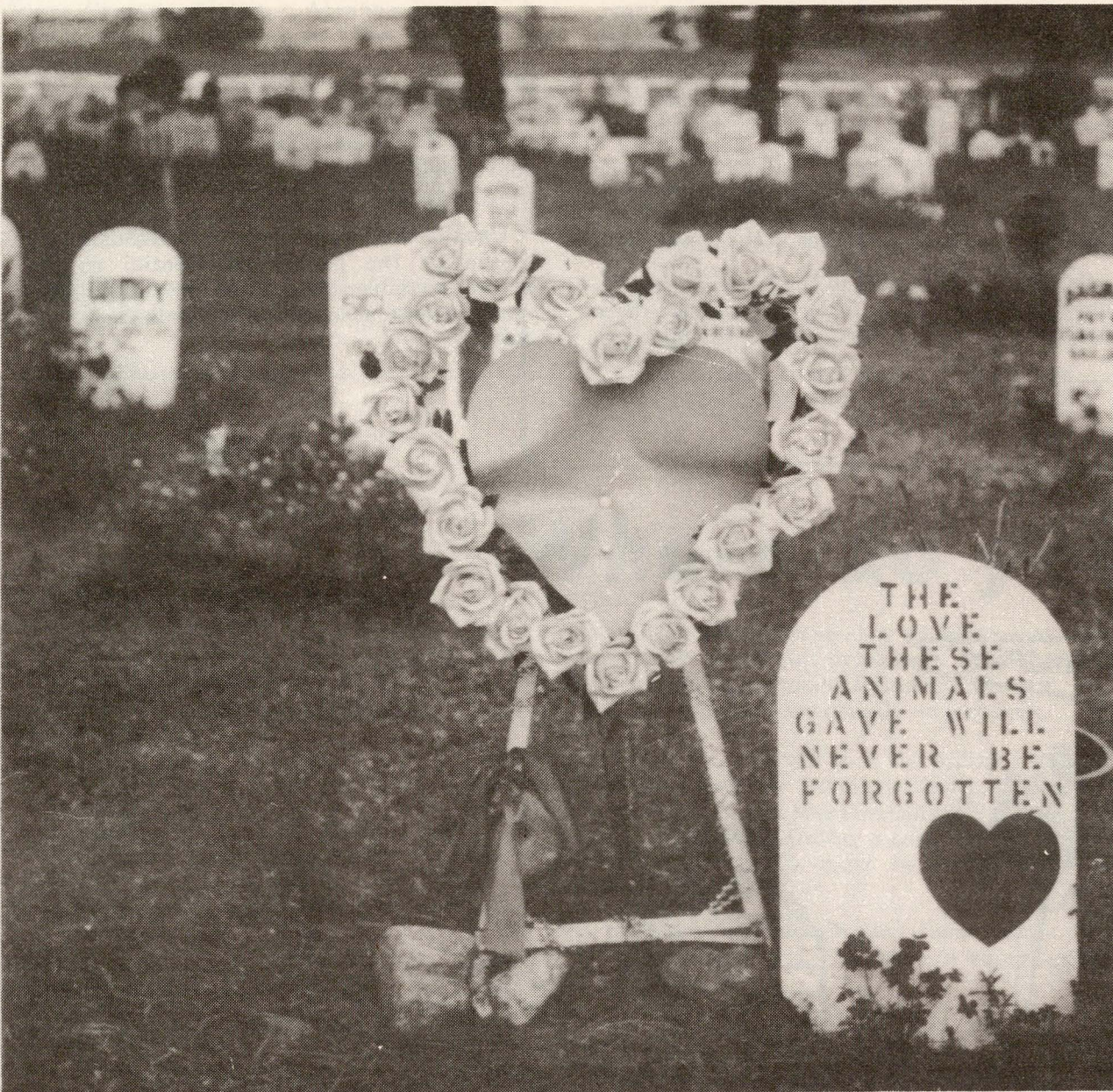
Based on separation board recommendations, separation authorities will determine whether the member should be transferred to the IRR or discharged. "The fact that a member has nine or more unexcused absences is not, by itself, sufficient reason for discharge," continued Smith.

Smith also indicated that this new approach is not as punitive as it may seem. "Whether transferred to the IRR or discharged, the member's service will normally be characterized as under other than honorable conditions. Exceptions to the new policy will be made in cases

where the Reserve Component members have completed at least two years of active duty. These members may be transferred to the IRR without board action and without the 'other than honorable' characterization of service.

"For those individuals who have less than two years of active duty and who are involuntarily transferred to the IRR, they will be given the opportunity to go on active duty for one year to qualify for discharge under honorable conditions," concluded Smith.

The new policy will not affect Reserve members currently on orders for active duty or active duty for training or anyone with orders issued before Mar. 1.



Happy Valentine's Day

Presidians spent thousands of dollars last week to observe St. Valentine's Day with their loved ones. To show that the love that pet owners have for their little friends continues even though they are separated by death,

someone place this floral valentine in the post pet cemetery. Throughout the year the pet's graves are decorated by some one who remains unknown to us. (Photo by Tom Tier-nan)

Gold & silver prices soar at PX too

Presidio PX patrons who purchase gold and silver items either in the main store or through catalog sales can expect to pay higher prices for such items, according to Ms. Sandy Bourne, exchange manager.

"Because of the spiraling cost of gold and silver, it is impossible to keep track of the price increases," states Bourne. "Our vendors are refusing to quote prices or to enter into contracts and in some instances, refuse to sell their products until some degree of price stability has been reached."

Customers who purchase items in the store will notice the price increase only when new shipments of gold and silver items come in," Bourne continues.

"Catalog customers, however, are going to feel and see the increases more vividly," she exclaimed.

"When a person orders something out of the catalog the price is already out of date, so a certain percentage is tacked on to that price to cover the increase to date, but, by the time the item arrives back at the store, the price has gone up again and the customer must pay the difference."

Bourne stated that the ladies in the catalog sales department try to notify customers of the price increase before they come in to pick up their order.

"We realize that inflation is eating up the soldier's paycheck, and we hate to add to it by raising prices, but we have no choice," Bourne commented.

Bourne concluded by saying "exchange patrons can be assured that only those price increases actually received will be applied and any over-payment will be refunded."

The great marathon is on and you help pick the winner

by Tom Tiernan

Every four years a small group of men enter what many consider to be the toughest and most grueling marathon of all. Although the competitors don't actually run, they do cover millions of miles and spend thousands of dollars in pursuit of a prize that includes a chauffeured limousine, a huge mansion and four years of a job that requires long hours and hard work.

The winner of this race is not decided by who crosses the finish line first but, by whoever gets those of us who watch, the process can be a maze of confusion.

To those who seek the Presidency, being elected to the nation's highest office is more like running an obstacle course than a race. And for those of us who watch, process can be a maze of confusion.

The process of electing the president actually begins one or two years before election day when potential candidates begin criss-crossing the country, building support for their cause.

Must be 35

Before a man or woman can seek the presidency he must meet certain requirements. The constitution says a president must be at least 35 years old, have lived in the United States for 14 years and must be a "natural-born" citizen.

The Constitution also limits the number of years a person may serve. **No person can be elected President more than twice nor may he be elected more than once if he has served more than half of another President's term.** Gerald Ford, who took office during the second year of Richard Nixon's term can only be elected to the presidency once.

The election of a president is basically a four-step process, the primaries, the convention, the general election, and the electoral college.

This year there will be 33 primaries, in 31 states plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, to select delegates to national party conventions.

Four types

There are four basic kinds of primaries, however most vary according to the state and political party.

In some states voters select delegates by voting for those individuals who support the candi-

date of the voter's choice. The presidential preference of a hopeful delegate is listed next to his name on the ballot.

A second type is known as the **advisory presidential preference primary**. In this case the voter casts his vote for his choice for the party's nomination and for delegates supporting that candidate.

A **binding preference primary**, "binds" by state law, delegates to vote for the presidential candidate who receives the most votes either in the congressional district or statewide. The delegates themselves are picked either in the election or at the state convention. This winner-take all primary has been outlawed by the Democrats and the Republicans retain it only in the California primary.

The fourth type of primary is the **proportional representation**, where voters cast ballots for presidential candidates and the results are used to determine the number of delegates allocated to each candidate.

No cross over

Most states prohibit members of one party from voting in the primary of the opposite party, there are exceptions, however. Voters in Wisconsin, Montana, Vermont, and Idaho are given both the Republican and Democratic ballots on election day.

In the states of Illinois, Indiana and several others, there is no party registration and voters may ask for either ballot.

Because of the large number of primaries, not every candidate enters all 33. If a voter doesn't find his candidate's name on the ballot, he may vote for another or for a delegate who is uncommitted.

Pledged to no one

The uncommitted delegate is one who goes to the party convention without being pledged to any candidate. In the past, whole delegations have gone to the party gathering uncommitted to give them bargaining power. But under the present system, this is virtually impossible.

Conventions of caucuses are held in 21 other states, several hold both primaries and conventions, to select their delegates to the convention.

Selection of delegates to the national convention most often begins in local precincts where party members hold mass meetings. During these

get-togethers each candidate tries to get as many supporters to these gatherings as possible to get as many representatives elected to the country and then to the state convention where delegates are selected. Some delegates may be chosen on an at-large basis.

Once the delegates are selected at the state level, then they're off to the national convention. This year the Republicans will gather in Detroit on July 14 and the Democrats in New York City on Aug. 11.

The national nominating conventions are convened every presidential election year to select the party's candidates for president and vice-president, develop a party stand of the issues facing the nation and to conduct other party business.

Delegate divided

The number of delegates for each state is decided on a different formula for each party.

The apportionment rules for the Democratic convention are based half on the population and half on the state's Democratic voting strength in the last three presidential elections.

The Republicans formula calls for each state to get six delegates at large and three delegates for each congressional district in the state. Bonus delegates are added if the state elected a Republican governor, senator or at least half of its House delegation in 1976 or 1978, or if Gerald Ford carried the state in 1976.

After several days of meetings and caucuses, the delegates begin voting for the party's presidential nominee. State by state the delegates announce their choice until a candidate receives the number of votes needed to win.

At the Democratic convention, a candidate needs 1,666 votes out of a possible 3,331, and the Republican needs 998 out of 1,994 votes, to win nomination.

Picking a Veep

Once the presidential nominee is selected the convention turns its attention to selecting a running mate.

Usually the vice-presidential candidate is one chosen by the party's presidential nominee. Several factors go into selecting a running mate, such as religious or ideological balance, or party unity.

Once the presidential nominee makes his selection, nomination of his running mate is usually just a formality.

Planning sessions

Between the end of the convention and Labor Day, the candidates huddle with advisors and party officials to plan strategy, schedule campaign stops, raise funds, conduct voter registration drives and other things necessary to getting the campaign on the road.

Once Labor Day rolls around both candidates come out swinging and campaign non-stop across the country until election day.

On Tuesday after the first Monday in November, Americans go to the polls to cast their ballots, but the President isn't really elected on this day.

Electors elected

When a voter goes to the polls, he is really voting for a presidential elector to the Electoral college which meets this year on Dec. 15 in each state capital and the District of Columbia.

The results will be sent by registered mail to the president of the Senate who is the Vice-President. Then on Jan. 6, 1981 at 1 p.m. the congress, both the House and Senate, convene and the ballots will be counted.

Generally the results of the Electoral College are already known since most electors vote for the candidate who carried their state. This also makes it possible for a candidate to lose the popular vote but still win election.

Ten lost but won

Ten presidents have won the **White House even though they did not carry the popular vote**, they include: John Quincy Adams, Rutherford B. Hayes, Benjamin Harrison, Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield, Grover Cleveland, Woodrow Wilson, Harry Truman, John F. Kennedy, and Richard Nixon in 1968.

In 1980, it will take 270 of 538 electoral votes to be officially elected President. In the unlikely event that no nominee gets a majority in the electoral college, the decision is turned over to the House of Representatives.

If the election is thrown to the House of Representatives, each state delegation receives one

vote to be cast for the three men who received the highest number of electoral votes. How a state votes is determined by a majority vote of the delegation.

Twice in U. S. history, a simple majority of the House of Representatives has elected a president. In 1800 the representatives chose Thomas Jefferson over Aaron Burr and in 1824 picked John Quincy Adams over Andrew Jackson.

The vice-president is selected in the Senate with each Senator having one vote. Once again a simple majority is all that's needed.

In recent years a number of rules have been implemented to the election process which limits spending, campaign contributions and hopefully to erase any conflict of interest and corruption charges.

Electing a President of the United States is a long, complex and grueling system, but one designed to insure that the voice of the people is heard in selecting their leader.

Presidential primaries

*Republican party only
**Democratic party only
***Subject to change

February
26 New Hampshire
March
4 Massachusetts
4 Vermont
8 South Carolina
11 Alabama
11 Florida
11 Georgia
16 Puerto Rico **
18 Illinois
25 Connecticut

April
1 Kansas
1 New York***
1 Wisconsin
5 Louisiana
22 Pennsylvania

May
3 Texas*
6 District of Columbia
6 Indiana
6 North Carolina
6 Tennessee
13 Maryland
13 Nebraska
20 Michigan
20 Oregon
27 Arkansas
27 Idaho
27 Kentucky
27 Nevada
June
3 California
3 Montana
3 New Jersey
3 New Mexico
3 Ohio
3 Rhode Island
3 South Dakota
3 West Virginia

Soldiers can vote, too

by Bob Mahoney

With the Presidential election just around the corner, many soldiers think they'll be unable to participate in the election process because they are stationed outside their home state.

Thanks to the efforts of the federal government this just isn't true.

Soldiers and civilians at the Presidio can vote in the upcoming primaries Presidential election and all elections, for that matter, by using the Federal Post Card Application.

By using the FPCA military voters can both register and apply for an absentee ballot through the mail, postage free.

The FPCA is now, or soon will be, available from unit voting officers, according to 1st Lt. Wayne Emard, post voting officer. "The FPCA is the answer for those of us in the Army who find it impossible to get home to vote," he stated.

The absentee ballot is requested from the city or town clerk, voting commission, board of elections, or country clerk, for the soldier's hometown. The FPCA is valid for most primaries, and for the November Presidential election.

Emard says that "Primary dates and absentee ballot deadlines vary from state to

state. As a result, there are some states where the deadline for registration has passed. However, it is not too late for most states and registration for all states is still open and on-going for the November elections.

Although the primary process has begun, Puerto Rico held their Republican primary Feb. 17 and the New Hampshire ballot is scheduled for Tuesday. There is still time to participate in many other primary elections.

The month of March is really the first full month of primary action. The following states will hold their primaries during that time: Massachusetts, Vermont, South Carolina (Republicans only), Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Puerto Rico (Democrats only), Illinois and Connecticut.

Other states will conduct their primaries at various times throughout the remainder of the spring with the final series scheduled for June 3. On that day, the following states will conduct primaries: California, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Dakota and West Virginia.

The Presidential election for 1980 is set for Nov. 4. For more information concerning your rights, obligations and procedures for voting, contact your unit voting officer.

Where do you vote?

The question "Where do you live when it comes to voting?" may be difficult to answer.

When a person is physically living at his or her voting residence, there are usually no problems.

However, when a person is in the military or otherwise away from the "voting residence," then the basic test of physical presence cannot be used.

Instead, questions regarding a person's ties to a particular community must be asked and answered.

It's these ties, depending upon their nature and strength, which will determine a person's voting residence."

In many cases members of the Armed Forces and their spouses have the advantage of being able to select their voting residence from among the various places they have lived or where they are presently living.

Answers to the following questions will be helpful in determining a person's "voting residence"—

- **Members of the Armed Forces**
- Where is your official home of record?

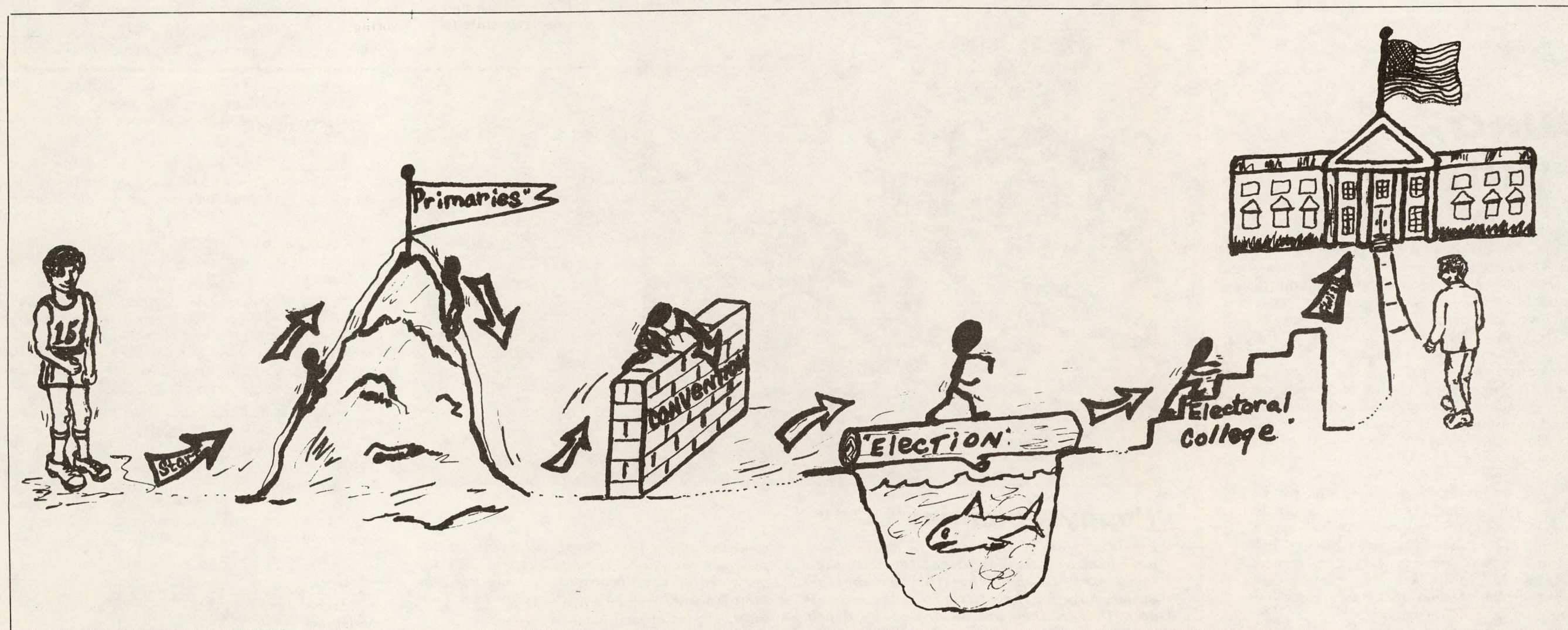
- Did you establish a new residence after entering the Armed Forces?
- Did you own property in a State; if so where?
- Did you register to vote before coming in the Service? Where?
- Where did you last vote?
- Do your children go to a State college as "in-State" students?
- To which State do you pay income tax?
- In which State is your automobile registered? Your driver's license issued?

Caution should be exercised in choosing a voting residence.

Income tax liability, the right to attend State universities as an "in-State" student, and other obligations and privileges affect this selection.

Individuals should check with their legal officer or civilian counsel before making this decision.

Questions pertaining to selecting your voting residence should be addressed to your voting assistance officer.



Joel's anger saved lives

by Tom Tiernan

In the face of death men do different things. Some cry, some pray, and some risk their lives to help save others. Lawrence Joel, guest speaker at the opening of the Black Soldier Museum display last week, belongs to this last group.

On Nov. 8, 1965 while on patrol with his unit in the jungles of Vietnam, Joel, a medical aidman, came face to face with death and 24 hours later although wounded, was credited with saving the lives of many of his fellow soldiers.

For his heroic action, Joel was awarded the Medal of Honor.

"By the time we got to the top of the hill, all of a sudden firing started," explained Joel. "We all looked around, not realizing that the fire was enemy firing. Myself, I thought some of our men had gotten trigger happy and started firing at random."

The lead platoon soon discovered that the firing was coming from a "numerically superior and well concealed Viet Cong element."

"Three other guys and myself dove behind a big rock which jutted up beside the mountain-side. It wasn't much cover for all four of us to get out of the line of fire," Joel continued. "But somehow we got behind there with our bodies piled on top of each other."

The four soldiers stayed behind the rock for about five minutes as pieces of the rock pelted their bodies.

"Then all of a sudden it got very quiet," Joel recalls. "I noticed everyone was calling medic, medic."

"I then realized everyone was calling for me. So I looked around and saw two guys and said I was going out to get them. But two of the guys who were with me said, 'No doc, you stay here, we'll go out and get them.'"

But Joel won't let the two soldiers do his job and started after the wounded soldiers.

As he crossed the clearing, Joel was hit and wounded in the leg. The wound didn't stop the aidman, however. He quickly bandaged and took care of himself and another soldier and continued in his aid mission.

"I got angry," Joel stated explaining why he continued despite being wounded, "because our men were falling all around us being hit, continuing to fire and we couldn't get to them."

"After I got it, I just got mad and forgot all about my wounds and just got busy to keep from thinking about it. In my mind I felt we were all going to be wiped out."

Joel said that although at the time he felt death was imminent, he felt, "I had to do something. I felt that if I was going to die I might as well die doing something rather than sitting there thinking about my own self."

Realizing that the soldiers in his unit were looking to him for courage, Joel said that he had to put on a "big front" to show that he wasn't afraid. "These kids, most of them were 18 and 19 years old and I felt like they were looking to me to more or less give them encouragement. So, I



Red carpet treatment

Sp6 Lawrence Joel and his wife walk with then-President Lyndon Johnson to the White House lawn where the President presented Joel the Medal of Honor. Following Joel and

Johnson is then Vice-President Hubert Humphrey and other members of the soldier's family.

shouted at them and told them what to do to treat each other and told them everything would be all right."

Not only did this give the wounded soldiers courage but it also helped Joel to forget that he was afraid.

The retired sergeant first class, feels that he was only following his instincts by talking to his fellow soldiers. "When you are trying to show bravery to your fellow man, you do so by talking to them."

"I knew the guys had confidence in me... I didn't want to be a coward in front of them... I thought gee, when this battle is all over some of the guys might say, hey doc, I was out there calling for a medic, where were you? I wouldn't even be able to face them."

"I had to set aside my personal concerns for the sake of others," Joel continued.

"I just continued to do my job, ignoring the danger to myself. Several times I realized I was exposing myself to the enemy because I took off my steel pot (helmet) in order to treat the wounded. It just kept getting in the way."

During the battle Joel was wounded a second time. With the bullet lodged in his thigh, the

heroic soldier dragged himself over the battlefield treating 13 more men before his supplies ran out.

According to the citation with Joel's medal, "As one of the platoons pursued the Viet Cong an insurgent force in concealed positions opened fire on the platoon and wounded more soldiers. With a new stock of medical supplies, Specialist Joel again shouted words of encouragement as he crawled through an intense hail of gun fire to the wounded men."

After 24 hours Joel was evacuated from the battlefield. His actions in the words of the citation "... saved a large number of lives and his unselfish, daring example under most adverse conditions was an inspiration to all."

On April 5, 1967, Sp6 Lawrence Joel was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor by President Lyndon Johnson in ceremonies at the White House.

Today, retired from Army life Joel lives in Bridgeport Conn.

Although he wears the Medal of Honor proudly, Joel is humble on his accomplishment saying, "All I have ever tried to do is to do what is right and to do my best."

Presidio's rare manzanita found, but no one's saying exactly where

by Jim Hudgins

What comes to mind when you hear the words "arctostaphylos hookeri ravenii"?

Is it a new disease discovered in laboratory rats caused by excessive cheap cigar smoke? Or is this the name of one of the bit players who appeared in *Zorba the Green*? An Aztec Liberation group? Maybe the Latin term for "loose" women? You're sure that ravenii's a small town on the Italian Riviera?

Stumped? I'll give you one more clue. What is being referred to is a "tetraploid."

Give up? Well, the answer is none of the above. *Arctostaphylos hookeri ravenii* is the botanical name for a low-growing evergreen shrub commonly called the "Presidio Manzanita." Its claim to fame is that it is one of the rarest plants, not only in California, but in the entire world. It is called the Presidio Manzanita because there is no other known location where this particular type of manzanita grows except for a small patch here on our post.

The exact location of this 15-foot-wide section

of growth is a well-kept secret to protect the plant from potential "plantnappers." I can tell you that it is located in an open area at a point approximately 400 feet above sea level, with a view of the ocean.

Rare plant expert Alice Howard, who is cultivating some Presidio Manzanita cuttings at University of California, Berkeley, checks on the plant's condition periodically and recently stated "... It is expanding and very healthy. In fact, this is the time of the year when it is in bloom."

Expecting something glamorous and exotic, this reporter followed the written directions provided by Howard, promising to swallow the paper it was written on to keep it from falling into the wrong hands.

What I found was a little disappointing. The "bloom" was in the form of tiny, whitish berries hanging from a non-descript patch of shrubbery which somehow reminded me of mistletoe.

I later found out that these berries were the reason for the early Spanish settlers naming this plant "manzanita", or "little apples" The Indians

who once lived in this area boiled manzanita leaves to make a medicinal tea to treat venereal disease. There are about 50 varieties of the plant, but the Presidio variety has been dying out due to commercial development over the years.

Our own manzanita was discovered by Botanist Peter Raven in 1952, hence the "ravenii" in its name, and was formally listed as an endangered species by the Federal Government in 1978. It was then that interest developed in this little plant named after an army installation. An interview with Howard led to an article in Time Magazine. Even so, the exact location has been kept secret, known to only a few closed-mouthed people here on post.

So, if you are hiking on post and think you've discovered where the Presidio Manzanita is growing, please don't tell anyone. Besides, there's another plant on the endangered species list called the "Clarkia" which is every bit as rare as the Presidio Manzanita and also grows somewhere here in the Presidio. Just goes to show you how common rare plants can be.

Sports

Rockets top Spurs for DYA crown

Keith Brazille, who had been scoreless, made two clutch field goals with 90 seconds remaining in the game, to lead the Rockets to a two point win over the Spurs, 25-23.

Until the game winning points, it was a see-saw game. The Rockets' victory gave them the Youth Activity basketball championship, with the Spurs finishing in second place, one game behind.

The Rockets' high scoring offense was stymied throughout the game by the Spurs' stingy defense. Hoa Hanford and Cordell Johnson led the Spurs' defense which had averaged only 14 points per game scored against them.

The usually potent and explosive Rockets Tony Jett and Raven Brown, only managed six points a piece.

Mike Mechelhoff of the Spurs was the game's high scorer with 15 points.

Final League Standings

TEAM	WON	LOST
ROCKETS	11	1
SPURS	10	2
T.I. No. 5	5	7
OARB No. 3	4	8
T.I. No. 4	0	12

Only three remain in post crown fight

The long and hard fought basketball intramural season is now narrowing to a close with three teams, 864th Engineers, USAG No. 2 and 170th MP Co. remaining alive in the Post Championship Tournament.

Presently the 864th holds all the cards by remaining undefeated, and having already clinched a berth in the finals by defeating the MPs in a 43-41 cliffhanger. Both teams had a balanced scoring attack resulting from both an aggressive defensive effort and offensive team work.

The team 864th Engineers will meet in the finals will be determined by the outcome of a battle between USAG No. 2 and the 170th.

USAG No. 2 has survived in the loser's bracket since its first game and first defeat in the tournament. The MPs Co. have lost only one game, and that game was to the league leading engineers.

Keglers finish 7th

Six representatives of the Presidio travelled to Las Vegas Feb. 11-15 to participate in the Annual Showboat Military Bowling Classic. There were teams entered representing various Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine bases throughout the United States.

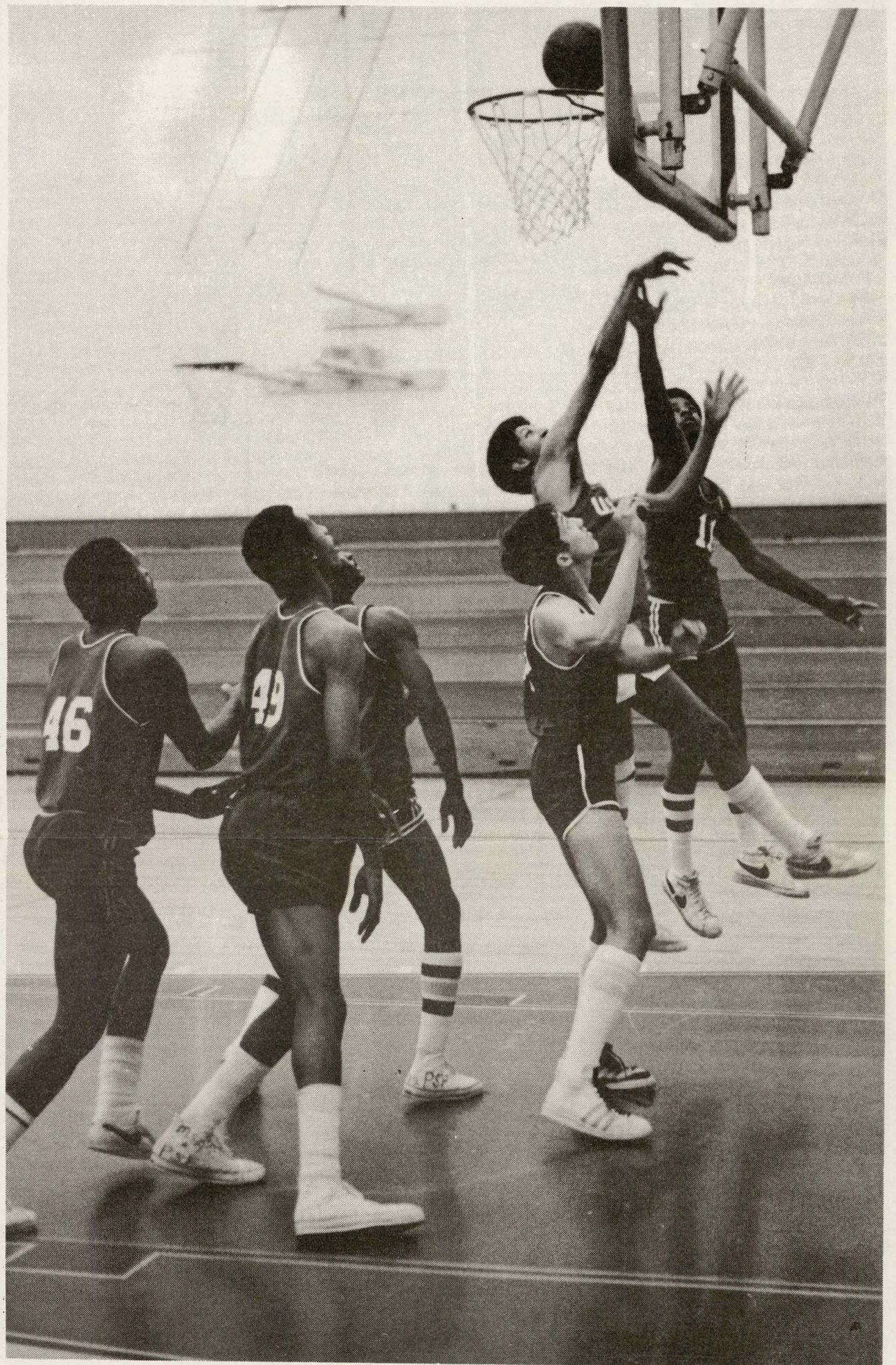
The Presidio, team, consisting of C.C. Ansbacher, "French" Burlot, Floyd Hawkins, Tony Lecroy, Orlando Victorio, and Jim Seales, finished in ninth in the team event and seventh place over all.

PSF vs Ord

The Post Men's and Women's Basketball Teams will take on teams from Fort Ord at 5 p.m. tonight in Post Gym No. 1.

V-ball to begin

Pre-league volleyball games and clinic will be held Feb. 25 at 1 p.m. in post gym No. 1. Mr. Jim Ragasa, an international volleyball official, will conduct the clinic for coaches, managers, players, and officials.



Everyone wants in the act

A member of the USAG No. 2 basketball team attempts to grab the rebound during last week's post basketball tournament to decide

the post champion. The garrison team is one of three still in the running for the crown. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Tennis tips

The following tips provided by George Collier, U.S.T.A. Touring Pro and Head Pro of the Presidio tennis clinics.

The Serve: The serve is the most important stroke in the game of tennis since it is the first stroke of each game. Generally, you will be doing more serving than using any other stroke so it requires more practice! Remember that the timing and rhythm are essential and your ball toss must be parallel to your racquet face in order to make contact with the ball.

The Overhead: The overhead is a confidence stroke! It is played similarly to the way that the serve is played. Prepare for the overhead by turning sideways to the net and getting the racquet back behind your head.

The Forehand: The forehand drive should be played halfway between the knees and hip. If the player is right handed, he should be facing slightly to his right, and if he is left handed, just the opposite is true. Always finish the stroke higher than the point of contact.

Presidio News Notes

Tickets on sale

Tickets go on sale this week for the Presidio Officers' Wives' Club's **German-American night** to be held Mar. 21 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.; at the Officers' Club.

Cost of the evening will be \$13.50 per person which includes dinner, a German Band and entertainment.

Tickets may be purchased at the O'Club on Feb. 26 from noon to 4 p.m. and on Mar. 6 from 3-5:30 p.m. or by calling Helga Jones at 561-4379.

Blood drive set

The next LAMC Blood Drive will be held Feb. 28 and 29 in Schwartz Theater. Donating hours are from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the 28th and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for the 1980 "Cinco de Mayo" celebration.

If you can help, stop by Bldg. 909, Human Resources Development Division, or call 561-3701 (561) and volunteer your services.

The first coordination meeting for the May 5th event, will be held Feb. 29 at 1 p.m.

Cubs to gather

The Presidio community will honor the 50th anniversary of the Cub Scouts with the annual Blue and Gold Banquet to be held at the NCO/Enlisted Club on Feb. 29, at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner event are \$4.00 for adults and \$2.75 for children.

More information concerning the Blue and Gold Banquet may be obtained from Maj. John Szurek at 561-4731 or 561-6248, or from Spec. Darren Roberts at 561-4444 or 751-1420.

Ski trip available

The Recreation Center and Outdoor Recreation Center are co-sponsoring a series of **economy ski trips** for soldiers in grades E1-E4 who are barracks residents.

The cost is \$19, which includes transportation, lodging, food, skis and boots, and ski lift tickets.

Lodging will be provided at the Outdoor Recreation condominium at Alpine Meadows.

The dates for these ski trips are as follows: Mar. 7-9, Mar. 21-23, April 11-13, and April 25-27.

Interested parties are urged to sign up early at the Recreation Center. Payment of \$15.00 confirms space.

Alpine Meadows has discount ski lift tickets available for military personnel and their dependents; good for Sunday through Friday skiing at \$10 per day per person. There are no discounts available for Saturdays. These tickets are available at the Recreation Center.

Rock and Roll nights are held each Wednesday at 8 p.m. featuring a professional D.J. using high quality sound equipment. Refreshments are served.

For additional information about the above items and other Recreation Center activities, please call the center daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons is available daily at the Recreation Center after 4 p.m.



I'm not sharing it with anyone!

Even with the excitement of Christmas, little Stormi-Lynn Rinehart had to pause to take her bottle. Stormi-Lynn's mother, Sp5 Phyllis Rinehart got this shot and submitted for the Photo of the Week. Sp5 Rinehart is assigned to HHD, 504th MP Battalion and is married

to an Army recruiter. The Star Presidian is looking for submissions for the Photo of the Week from all post photographers. If you have a photo you think deserving of this honor drop it by our newsroom in building 37 or call 561-3908.

Instructors wanted

The Dependent Youth Activities is looking for a violin teacher and a Judo instructor to teach classes on post. Individuals skilled in either of these areas are urged to call the DYA office at 561-5143



Proof required for ID cards

All soldiers, regardless of rank will soon have to show legal proof of dependency when applying for ID cards for their dependents, according to Capt. William T. Babylon, Chief of COMPACT.

A March 1979 Government Accounting Office report criticized DoD and the military services for weak control of dependents' ID cards. While the Navy and Air Force required legal documen-

tation, the Army did not for its senior officers and senior noncommissioned officers.

DoD changed the rules to require proof of dependency from all soldiers, regardless of rank. Among the documents which may be required are birth and marriage certificates, divorce decrees, adoption papers, retirement orders and Veterans Administration letters indicating a service-con-

nected medical disability. Widows and widowers should also have a copy of their spouse's death certificate.

Babylon says the new policy is not intended to demean special trust and confidence, but should be viewed as a safeguard to protect the benefits and privileges an ID card authorizes.

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Engineers rescue Fort Point

Soldiers once again occupied Fort Point last week, but they weren't there to protect San Francisco Bay from an unknown enemy.

Members of Company D, 864th Engineers were "stationed" at the brick fortress to protect it from intruding ocean water which rose to a height of 18 inches.

According to Charles S. Hawkins, of the National Park Service, the aid of the soldiers was requested on Feb. 19 because waves sweeping in under the Golden Gate Bridge were rapidly filling the fort's courtyard with water that threatened severe damage to a ground floor museum and other displays.

Eighteen soldiers from the unit arrived on the scene at 3 p.m. and worked throughout the night until 6:45 a.m. the next day to clear the courtyard of more than 50,000 gallons of water.

Hawkins stated that the severest challenge to the engineers came around 2:30 a.m. with 20 to 30 foot breakers crashing over the seawall surrounding the fortress.

The waves and an accompanying rain were part of a series of storms that pounded the California coast for more than a week.

Last Thursday the company's second platoon built a sandbag wall between the fortress and the anchor of the Golden Gate Bridge. The wall was approximately 90 feet long, four feet wide and four feet tall. The dike prevented further drainage into the fort.

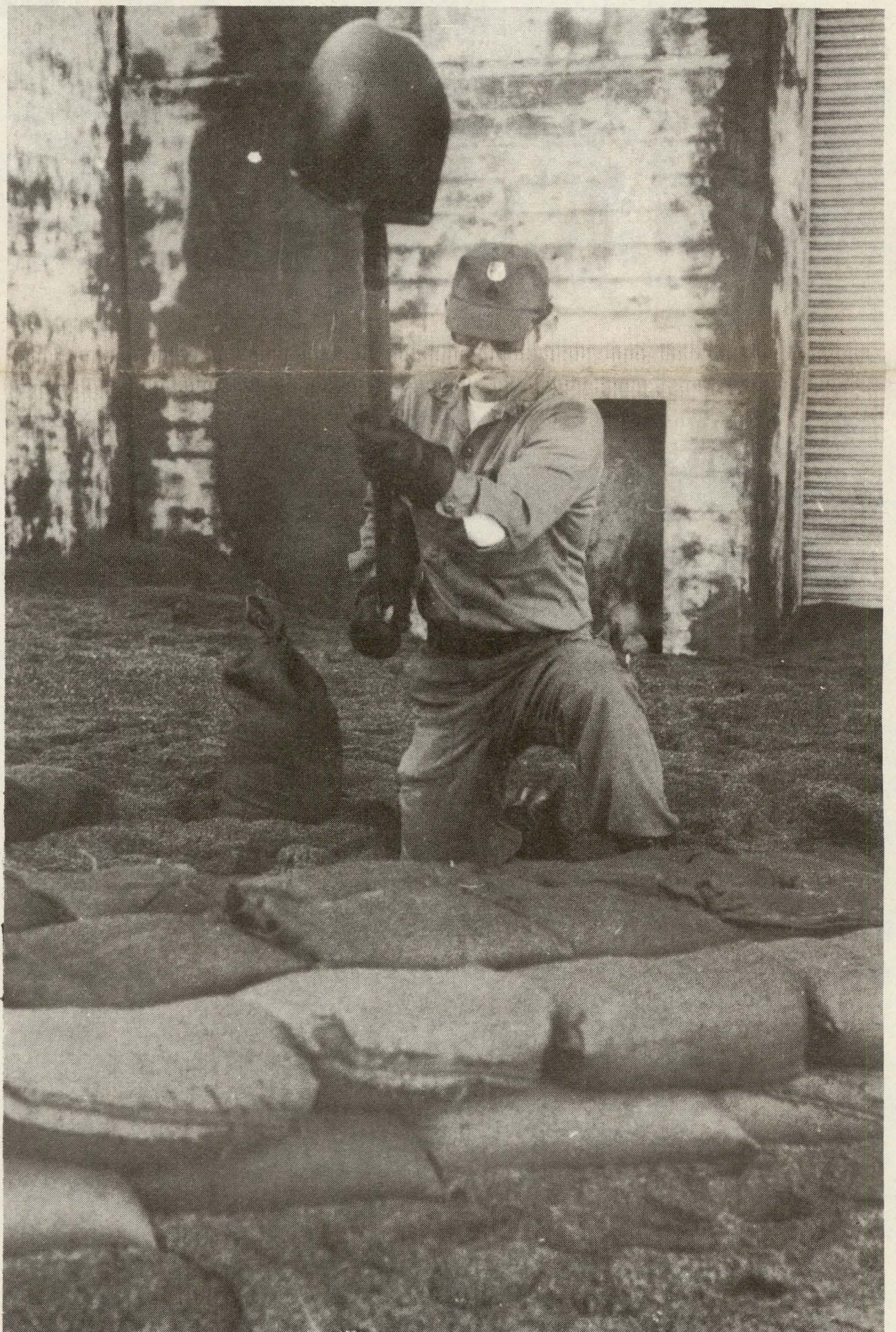
After their work at Fort Point was finished, the unit turned its attention to Forts Barry and Baker where rain runoff, coupled with poor maintenance and overloaded World War II culverts caused "major erosion at three points along Conzelman Road," according to 2nd Lt. Nathan Barton, of the 864th.

Barton stated that the erosion at places was 40 feet deep, threatening to undermine the road.

Members of the first and second platoons worked throughout the night filling and placing sandbags, constructing 120 feet of culverts on the steep slopes of the Marin headlands to prevent further damage.

The engineers, currently in the process of planning some restoration projects at Fort Point have been given the go-ahead to assist the National Park Service in permanently repairing the eroded areas of Conzelman Roads which connects Fort Baker with Batterus Wall and Hill 129.

Mr. Lynn Thompson, general superintendent of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area praised the unit's efforts, "Your help came at a time when it was sorely needed. Our regular park maintenance people were heavily committed. You have rendered an invaluable service to the National Park Service; we do appreciate your efforts"



Pounding the ground

SSgt. Thomas Plemons, of Company D, 864th Engineers, pounds down sandbags to keep sea water from flowing into Fort Point. Plemons

and other members of his unit were called in to rid the fortress of 18 inches of water. (Photo by Ken Juber)

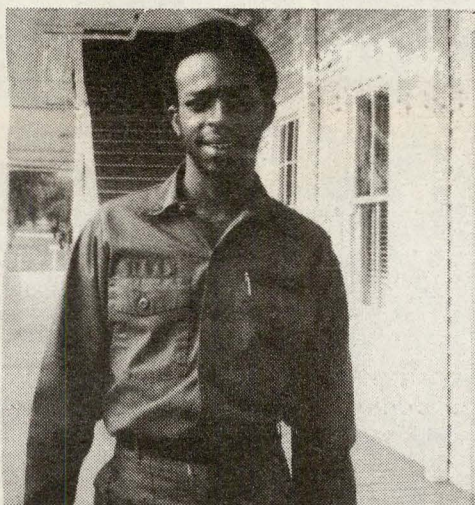
Ramblin' Sam

Should DACs be given time off to exercise?



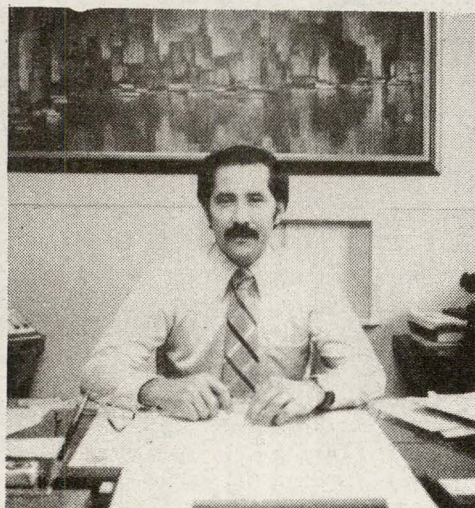
SP4 Stephanie Hart, Enlisted Records— "Yes, if they want to join me every Monday morning for USAG's PT program and maybe have a platoon of civilians who wish to participate."

Eric Essman, Finance Administration— "Yes. Time off should be given to exercise if it will be mentally beneficial as well as physically for the person. Mental flexibility is as important to a person's well being as physical fitness."



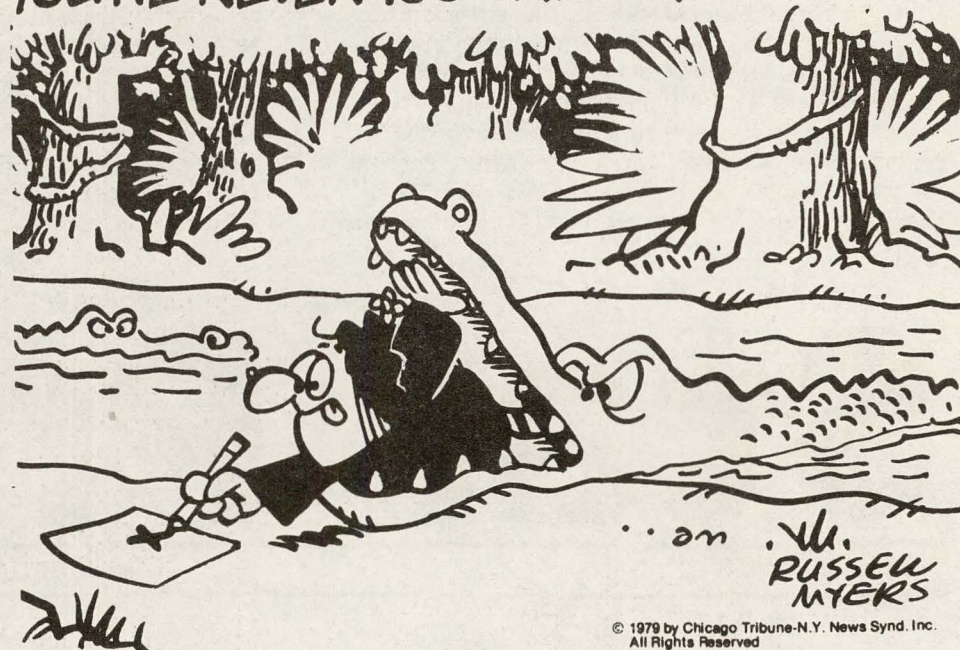
SP4 Richard Allen, Compact— "Yes, I believe civilians should be given time off to exercise. In fact they should be given the opportunity to participate in USAG's PT program every Monday morning."

Mac Roberts, MER-Civilian Personal— "Yes, if civilian personnel realize time off from the job will be charged as annual leave. When annual leave is taken for exercise, the time off shouldn't interrupt their job's operational needs. If employers today do personnel utilizing time off to exercise should be able to use the facilities available here during duty hours."



Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel— "No. Presently regulations do not allow time off for civilians to exercise. We have many employees who participate in a regular exercise program either before work, during lunch hour or after work. Some employer's today do provide recreation-exercise opportunities for their employees during work hours."

BROOM-HILDA SAYS—
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Carpooling

It's worth the money

Most folks living in Marin County will not join carpools or use public transit regardless how astronomical fuel costs rise. Some observers claim it's because the residents have a need to project an affluent image.

Well, maybe, but there certainly are a whole lot of Army folks working at the Presidio and living at Hamilton Air Field in Marin County who project another image. It's called the fuelish look and it's worn by all ranks.

Take the captain in the big blue sedan with Michigan license plates. That big V-8 engine of his must drink a gallon of gas every eight miles and with gas running about \$1.25 a gallon, it probably cost him \$5 a day to come to work. That's \$25 a week or over \$1000 a year.

Then there's the officer who drives the fancy red foreign sedan. It's a nice car and only differs from the many similarly expensive models in Marin County by the large "Citadel" sticker in the back window. Of course, this is a dead giveaway that the driver is probably not as rich as many Marinities, so his driving to work alone doesn't project much of an affluent image.

Now, if these two officers were to get together, they would each cut their travel expenses in half. The captain in the big blue sedan would now pay about \$12 a week on a cost share basis with the officer in the red foreign car who, because his car is more economical, would end up paying about \$9.

If these two were to marry up with the lieutenant colonel in the light colored station wagon who is paying about \$30 a week for travel to and from work, their expenses would again be cut. It would cost about \$7 for the captain, \$5 for the foreign car officer and \$8 for the lieutenant colonel to travel to work and back for one week.

To go a step further, if these three officers in their big cars were to get with the two sergeants in that big blue, very expensive sedan, costs for everyone of them would change dramatically. For instance, the captain would save \$20 a week; the lieutenant colonel about \$24; the red foreign car guy about \$15 a week. And America would conserve over 3,000 gallons of fuel in one year.

There are arguments to the economic logic and energy conservation rhetoric being stated here. Perhaps the officers we have mentioned are workaholics—just can't get enough done in eight hours. Or maybe they are the kind who like to quit early. Or perhaps, their bosses feel they should work beyond the normal work time.

Whatever the argument, we are facing an energy crisis. Effort must be extended by all of us if we are to help secure a future without energy worries. If you are an individual who lives near other workers of the Presidio but drive in alone, start a carpool. If you are a boss, ensure your people get out of work on time so they can be members of good standing in carpools.

Mike Christy

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Hours cut at child care center

The Presidio Child Care Center, formerly known as the post nursery, will cease Friday night and Saturday services starting Mar. 14.

According to Ms. Eileen Enriques, child support services coordinator, the action is necessary because the facility was losing money due to low patronage on Friday nights and on Saturday.

"We are losing about \$60 a weekend," states Enriques. "Army regulations require us to have two attendants on duty at all times. This costs us about \$10 an hour. There are times when there aren't any children here at all."

To operate without financial loss, the center must have enough children to cover the cost of paying the attendants. Enriques points out that

every possible step to reduce costs has been taken to avoid cutting the services offered.

"On the outside personnel costs average about 80 percent of a center's budget, here they are 90 to 95 percent," Enriques explained.

Other changes are also planned at the center to improve service. "We will be open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., starting March 17 announced Enriques. "We are doing this to help families where both parents work. Most soldiers have to be at work by 7:30 and if we aren't open they have nowhere to go. Many times parents work downtown and could use the extra commuting time."

"We are trying to improve the quality of our

daytime services to increasing the number of developmental programs we offer the children," Enriques commented.

Enriques added that if the demand for a return to the weekend service provides that it might meet the personnel costs, the center would consider reinstating those hours.

"We will also open the center on special occasions when the sponsoring organization can guarantee that the personnel costs will be covered," Enriques concluded.

The center charges 85¢ an hour to provide care for the child of soldiers E-4 and below and \$1 an hour for those in grades E-5 and above. Rates vary for families with more than one child coming to the center at the same time.

Briefly

Tuition help available

Presidio soldiers can receive 100 percent tuition assistance for off-duty courses leading to a high school diploma according to officials at the Fort Scott Education Center.

DA Form 2171 (Request for Tuition Assistance—Army Continuing Education System) is still the application form but you will need to make some pen and ink changes to reflect the new, higher level of tuition assistance. Change paragraph 10 by deleting "75 percent" and adding "100 percent". Delete "remainder of the tuition costs and" in the first line and completely drop the last sentence.

Remember, you are eligible for this tuition aid only if you attend the high school completion courses during off-duty hours. For more information contact your education counselor at either Fort Scott, phone 561-4445 or 2974, or the Letterman Army Medical Center Education Center at 561-4030 or 3693.

Soldiers are reminded that they can get 75 percent tuition assistance for all college courses.

Booze on MAC

Passengers traveling on some MAC charter flights may now buy mixed drinks, according to Military Airlift Command (MAC) officials.

Full beverage service began Feb. 1, but officials say not all the contract carriers have installed the necessary equipment yet. They are expected to all have full beverage service by Mar. 1, officials say.

The service will be the same as that of regularly scheduled commercial airlines, officials added.

Previously, beer and wine were the only alcoholic beverages served on MAC charters. Each carrier's normal rules regarding age and sobriety will apply to the new service.

New re-up option

Soldiers in grades of E-1 through E-6 can now reenlist for a guaranteed assignment to the Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM), according to SFC John Hayes, post reenlistment NCO.

A change to AR 601-208 (Army Reenlistment Program) includes the revised INSCOM and electronic warfare/cryptologic units and training activities reenlistment option.

E-6 and below, regardless of years of service, can reenlist for:

School training in any MOS needed by INSCOM.

Guaranteed assignment to INSCOM or an EW/Cryptic activity.

A 16-month stabilized tour in all but overseas short tour areas.

Soldiers may elect this option based on a preliminary security clearance by the local installation security officer. In the past, a final security clearance was required before a soldier could enter a military intelligence MOS.

Voluntary recall set

In a move to get more company grade officers, the Army is offering some officers the chance to come on active duty, according to 1st Lt. Laurianne Dubia, chief of personnel management at COMPACT.

Officers in basic year groups 1973 through 1980 who hold specialties monitored by the officers personnel management directorate, MILPERCEN, may apply to return to active service. This does not include officers in the chaplain corps, judge advocate general corps, medical department or other specialty branches, Dubia explained.

The program is also open to ROTC officers who have never served on active duty and to officers who left the service because of a reduction in force, Dubia pointed out. Active duty enlisted soldiers who have a reserve commission may also apply as long as they have less than 10 years active service, officials added.

Officers who have been passed over for promotion and those who received severance pay upon relief from active duty, however, are not eligible to apply, Dubia said. Also, officers receiving retirement pay and those who have been "released for cause" can not apply.

Two DA boards are scheduled on March 14 and June 16—to consider the applications.

Those officers selected for return to duty will incur a three year active duty obligation. Those who accept active duty will be able to complete for voluntary indefinite status or RA, if they're otherwise qualified, Dubia added.

For more information, check Chapter 3, AR 135-210. For application procedures call AUTOVON 693-7803/7398 or commercial (314) 263-7803/7398.

Maternity uniform OK'd

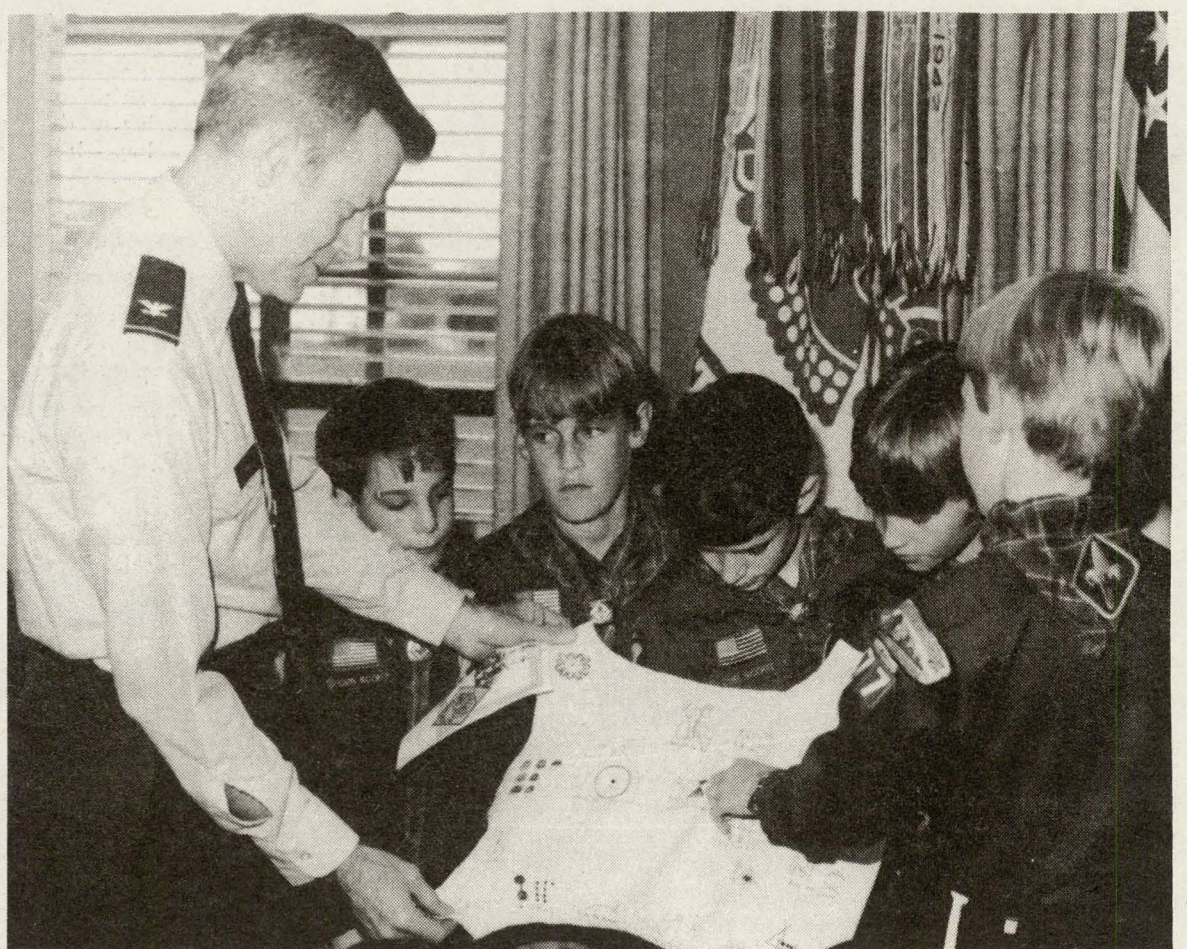
Soon pregnant soldiers will no longer wear civilian clothes to work, according to DA officials.

The Army chief of staff recently approved a maternity service uniform similar to the Air Force Maternity Uniform. The Uniform, according to officials, should be available through post exchanges in August-September 1980.

According to officials, as soon as an enlisted soldier has documented proof of

pregnancy, she will be able to process a clothing issue record through the post exchange at no personal cost for two uniforms. Replacement uniforms will be authorized three years from the initial issue date.

Officers will be required to purchase their uniforms. Estimated cost of the tunic will be \$11.50. The cost of the skirt will run \$8.75 and the slacks will cost \$11.



Now see here, chief

Cub Scout Eric Svendsen explains the meaning of the symbols on a leather skin to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander. Looking on are James Wilson, Mike Melon, John Watson, and Scott

Sorrell. The youngster visited the commander to invite him to their Blue and Gold Banquet to be held this evening.

(Photo by John Green)

Emergency room is a busy place

by Tom Tiernan

The waiting room is packed with people. In one corner a child cries on endlessly and the man next to you hasn't shut up since he sat down. The clock on the wall shows you've only been there awhile but it seems like hours. You ask yourself, why is this taking so long? I only have a cold.

If you find yourself in this situation, you're probably sitting in the Letterman Army Medical Center's emergency room, and you probably shouldn't be there.

According to Dr. James Symon, chief of the emergency room, "Those who in their opinion have a reasonable feeling that they have an unstable medical condition should come to the emergency room".

Among the conditions which are included in the unstable medical condition are life threatening illnesses and injuries requiring immediate medical attention.

"Of course," states Symon, "**no one is refused treatment.** But we often give them something to get them through the night and then refer them to the appropriate clinic for the next morning."

Symon points out that those who come to the emergency room with complaints that aren't unstable medical conditions can expect to wait for treatment. "We must treat the more serious cases first," Symon explained. "Very often people come in and say my problem is so minor that you can treat me first and get me out of your hair. Well, if the problem is that minor, they shouldn't be here."

The doctor said that on one day during the weekend the two interns in the emergency room saw 200 patients with only 10 of those meeting the instability requirement. "Of the 110 others, 90 percent came in for colds or old injuries which were more than 72 hours old."

Seeing so many patients often leads to short tempers and heated words between patients and emergency room personnel.

"I feel the staff here shows dramatic self control," states Symon. "**I have seen them spit at, cursed, threatened and abused, yet they continued to provide the necessary care treating each patient with respect.**"

"Of course there are times when people here make comments they shouldn't. They forget that the walls are thin and say things they shouldn't. Generally these comments aren't directed at the patient who hears them".

Symon points out that the interns who work in the emergency room put in 16 hours a day and are "really pooped" by the time their shift draws to a close.

The interns work hard, comments Symon, because they are inexperienced and are afraid to make mistakes. They work up each case that comes in. "We haven't made a medical mistake in two years."

Working up a case often involves getting X-rays and lab tests done which often add to the delays. "People should remember that the X-ray and lab sections only maintain skeletal crews

which not only support us, but also the entire hospital," Symon added.

Symon and Maj. Eugene Kazmierczak, head nurse, both feel that the quality of the care provided in the emergency room is better than the best in the Bay Area. "The care here is head and shoulders over Bay Area care," states Kazmierczak. "The chief here reviews every chart for accuracy."

The LAMC emergency room is the only one that has an interdepartmental lecture program, states Symon.

Kazmierczak points out that 90 percent of the enlisted workers in the emergency room are emergency medical technicians and licensed vocational nurses.

To help make your next visit to the emergency room a little smoother, Symon offers the following tips:

- Don't come unless you can't make it through the night or weekend without medical care.
- If you have a sick child, call first and talk it over with the doctor before coming in. In fact, Symon recommends that patients who question whether they should come in, call first.
- Since records are generally not available, patients should write down the types of medica-

tion they are on and bring it with them to the hospital.

- If you don't speak English, bring along a family member or friend who speaks your natural language and English.

- Don't bring in prescriptions to be filled. The emergency room can only provide you with enough medication to get you through the night or weekend until the pharmacy opens.

- A sick child should be brought in by the parent who has been observing the child during his illness.

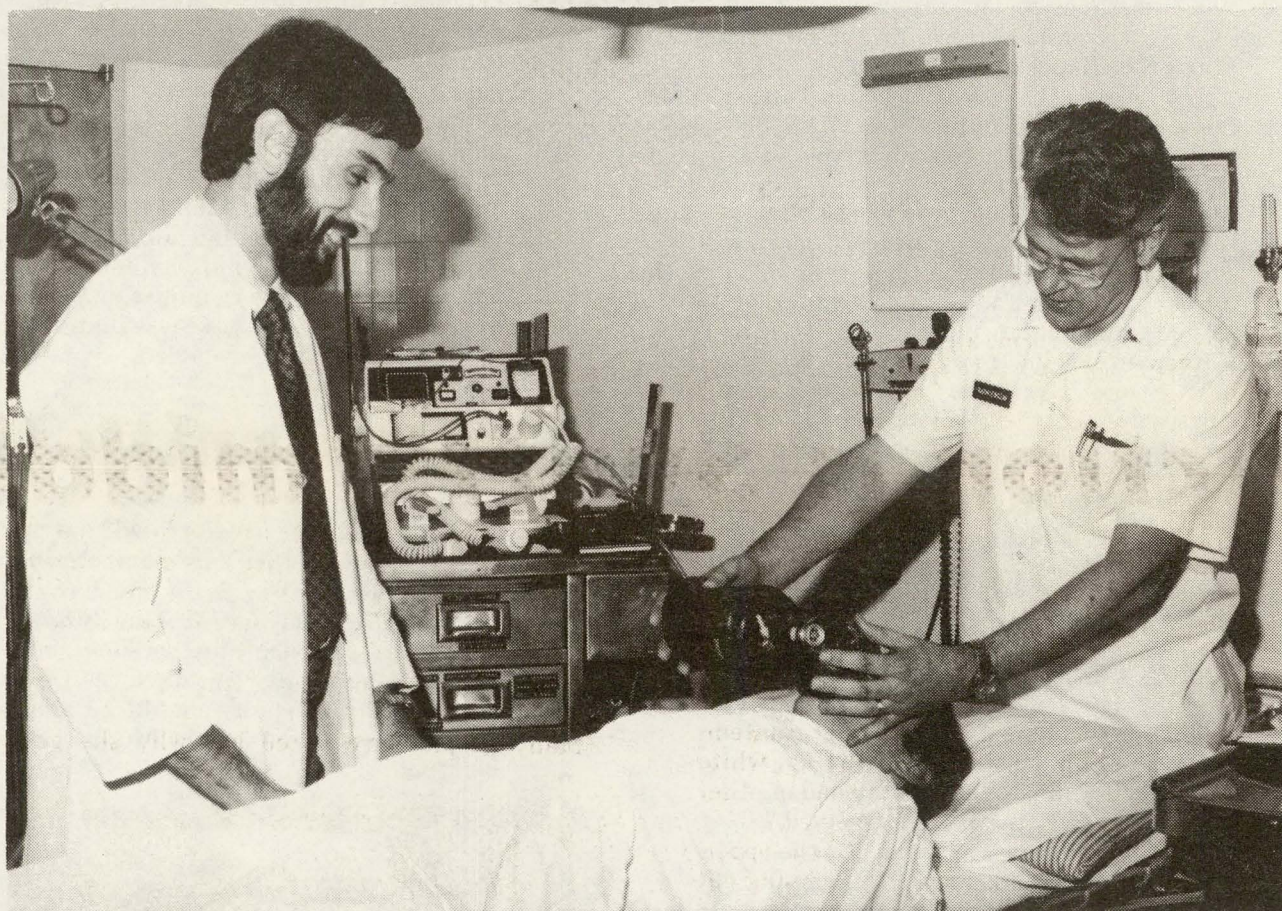
- Anyone who comes in to the emergency room should be prepared to go home.

- Follow the instructions of the ER staff. Many times people return the next day without even having taken the medication we've given them.

Symon's final recommendation is, "avoid coming in on the weekends."

"If someone has a complaint about the treatment they receive," concluded Symon, "they should contact either myself, Maj. Kazmierczak or SFC Vincent Evans. One of us will respond to you personally."

The key to a successful visit, Kazmierczak said, is "patience for the patient and patience in the patient."



He'll be ok, won't he?

Dr. James Symon, chief of the LAMC emergency room, and Head Nurse Maj. Eugene Kazmierczak, revive a patient

brought in for medical care. The emergency room is one of the busiest places on post. (Photo by Tony Rose)

Suggestions save money, earn it too

by Tom Tiernan

Last year Presidians saved the Army \$196,000 and were rewarded with almost \$5,000.

Through the Army suggestion program, soldiers and civilian employees can submit their ideas for saving money and streamlining operations and earn money at the same time.

According to Ms. Barbara Eckstrom, Chief of the Incentive Awards branch at CPO, the Army is looking for suggestions on how to save energy.

"We are looking for quality suggestions as opposed to a quantity of suggestions," emphasizes Eckstrom. "We can foul up the suggestion system with suggestions which are really complaints."

Anyone who submits a suggestion which is really a complaint is helped by Eckstrom to make it fit the proper format.

"When you submit a suggestion you need to state three things:

- A problem or area that needs improvement
- A workable solution and method of implementation
- A statement of benefits that could be achieved," Eckstrom explained.

Eckstrom states that most people get hung up on the second item, providing a workable solution. "Many just state a problem and say it needs to be solved. We need a solution, because that's what the program is all about."

Two types of benefits

There are two types of benefits which can be achieved from a suggestion's adoption, explains Eckstrom. "First there are tangible benefits, the actual money saved from the suggestion. Secondly there are the intangible benefits which don't necessarily save money and even cost money, but are improvements to mission accomplishments"

The amount of money awarded to a suggestor is based on the amounts of the tangible and intangible benefits.

Intangible benefits awards are based upon the level of their application, while tangible awards are based on the actual savings during the first year the suggestion's adoption.

Generally a suggestor receives approximately

10 percent of the savings up to \$1,000 dollars, points out Eckstrom, and less beyond that point.

You determine award

Suggestors play an important part in determining the amount of savings and ultimately the amount of the award "The suggestor must give an approximation of the possible savings if his suggestion is adopted. Therefore, it is important that he do his homework," Eckstrom commented.

Suggestors who submit suggestions which are without tangible or intangible benefits will receive a coffee mug. Others who submit ideas that aren't adopted receive either a note pad, sewing kit or weather caster.

"Everyone should be thinking about suggestions," suggests Eckstrom. "You can't be too busy."

To prove her point, Eckstrom cited the case of Letterman Army Medical Center Commander Brig. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, who was recently awarded a coffee cup for a suggestion he submitted.



Where'd the road go?

Recent storms have done much damage to the Presidio and surrounding area. The storm caused this road at Fort Point to collapse and for huge cracks to form. The historic fort was also flooded requiring the rescue efforts of

Company D, 864th Engineers. The engineers also helped out with erosion problems at Fort Baker. Fort Point and part of Fort Baker are part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. (Photo by Ken Juber)

Action is Swift's middle name

by Bob Mahoney

The word "dull" is nowhere to be found in the vocabulary of Cindy Swift, a personnel assistant in the Civilian Personnel Office.

Whether it's on or off of work, Swift puts herself totally into what she is doing. Her enthusiasm for life exceeds many of her contemporaries. Whether it's politics, sky diving, white water rafting, her job or any of a myriad of other interests, her operative word is "involved."

For example, four years ago, she had the opportunity to fulfill a lifetime dream by jumping out of an airplane. After a brief eight hour ground school lesson, she boarded the aircraft for the first of what has developed into a total of **130 jumps**. "Every now and then I think of the danger involved, but that's just part of the thrill of doing it. There have been a couple of instances where something minor has gone wrong but I've never had to use my reserve chute," she says.

Recent increases in the cost of sport parachuting have had an effect on Swift's involvement in that sport. "I tried white water rafting on the American River a while ago," she continued. "That was actually more of an achievement, I think. I'm more afraid of the water than I am of the air."

The spirit of adventure has been with her for her whole life. Despite her city and urban background, the Bay Area native chose to go north to school. "I went behind the 'Redwood Curtain,' to Humboldt State in northern California. I detached myself from the activities of the city and got involved in hiking, backpacking, studying and generally communing with nature. It gave me a greater appreciation of things."

The detachment from the city didn't include a detachment from political activism. She says, "I really love politics. Although I'm not connected with any campaigns right now, I have been involved in them in the past. I still feel a moral obligation to vote. It's one way that I can get involved in every aspect of the government and participate in the way this country operates. It's a wonderful feeling."

Swift gets that same wonderful feeling from getting involved in more sedate activities such as tennis, volleyball, reading, racquetball, cooking and being with people.

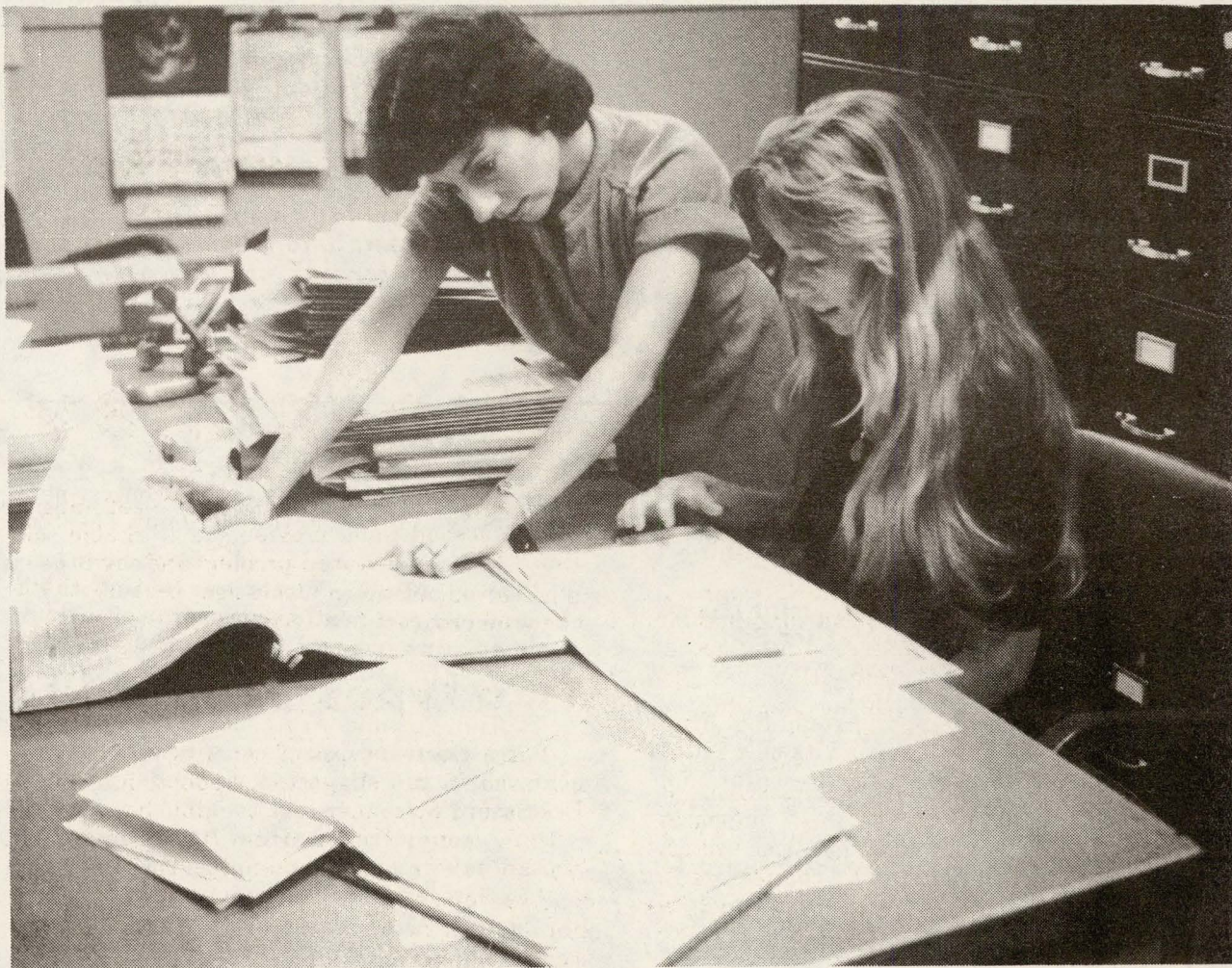
Although many people might consider her a little out of the ordinary, Swift believes that she

is quite normal. "It's just that I've taken advantage of opportunities as they came up. I don't think that I'm that much different than some of the people I went through school with. I just took the opportunity to do things," she says.

Many people have asked her why she gets

involved in all of these activities that would put a sense of fear into them. She answers, "Why not? If somebody else can do it, I don't think I can—I **know** I can so why not give it a shot."

Adventure and the thirst for it is not restricted to the macho mystique. Ask the people who know Cindy Swift.



I saw it here a minute ago

Cindy Swift explains the automated civilian personnel system to Kenny Steffen, who works with her in the Presidio Civilian Personnel Office. Swift's responsibilities include the maintenance and supervision of this system,

known as the Standard Civilian Personnel Management Information System which produces computerized records on all civilian employees assigned to the Presidio. (Photo by Bob Mahoney)

Post prepares to welcome 'invaders'

by Tom Tiernan

The Presidio is about to be invaded.

The invaders however, are friendly sightseers who'll be flocking to the post in groves as the weather begins to warm up.

According to Mr. Jim Hudgins, Community Relations officer, the post is a popular field trip for many local schools, church groups, and senior citizen organizations.

"Last year we gave tours to over 10,000 people who requested them," states Hudgins. "There were several thousand others who drove through the post or visited the museum on their own.

"We open the post to the citizens of the Bay area as part of an on-going effort to present a favorable image of the Army. The natural beauty and historical importance of the post make the Presidio a natural drawing card for the Army," explains Hudgins.

The post has two basic tours set up for visitors. The first is a historical route which traces the history of the post from 1776 through the present.

The second tour, known as the ecology trail shows off the many types of plants and trees found on post.

Of course, says Hudgins, "our community relations program isn't just built on these tours. We offer a variety of support to various groups in the city.

"Last year 7 major marathons or races went through all or part of the post. We also coordinated over 75 appearances of the 504th MP Battalion Color guard in parades, ceremonies and at sporting events all around the Bay area. Plus we do many other things that are too numerous to mention," Hudgins added.

Hudgins explained that good community relations with the people of the Bay area is important to the Army and its soldiers. "We need the support of our neighbors in this area if we are to get the money and equipment we need to continue to operate. We also need good relations with the people because they provide us with many services and welcome soldiers into their community.

"The people of this country pay our salaries, build our buildings, manufacture our weapons and move our supplies with their tax money, they are entitled to see how that money is being used," Hudgins continued.

Soldiers can help the Army's community relations program here by being courteous to visitors to the post, keeping trash and litter picked up and by wearing their uniforms proudly.

"If we present a good image of ourselves we can help dispel much of the criticism which comes our way. If we are proud, then our fellow citizens will be proud of us," Hudgins concluded.



Her honor, the mayor

The 504th MP Battalion Color Guard stands at attention during the swearing in of San Francisco Mayor Diane Feinstein. The ceremony, officiated over by Rose Bird, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, is

one of the many that the color guard participates in throughout the year. Color guard appearances are an on-going part of the Presidio's community relations efforts. (Photo by Bill Makiel)

Off Post

Tomorrow night downtown San Francisco will come alive with dancing lions, the sounds of firecrackers and lots of music as the city officially welcomes in the **Chinese New Year**, the year of the monkey.

Beginning at 7 p.m. a **colorful parade** will wind its way up Market Street to Kearney then up to Jackson where it will end.

The School of Creative Arts at San Francisco State University opens its new Studio Theater tomorrow with the presentation of Evgeny Schwartz's children's classic, **The Two Maples** at noon and 2 p.m.

A second performance is scheduled for Sunday at the same times.

Tickets are available through the Creative Arts Box Office, on the SFSU campus. Cost for admission are \$3 for general, \$1.50 for children, students, and senior citizens.

Jazz lovers will find plenty of music in SFSU's McKenna Theater in the Creative Arts building beginning at 3 p.m. Ticket costs are the same as for Two Maples.

The world renowned **New York Woodwind Quintet** will give a free concert next Sunday at 3 p.m. in the McKenna Theater.

Don't forget the Presidio Playhouses production of **Purlie Victorious** continues this weekend and next performances on Friday and Saturday are at 8 p.m. and on Sundays at 7 p.m.

The Presidio Army Museum's **"Ready and Forward"** display in honor of black soldiers can still be seen Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

After several months of limited hours due to mezzanine construction, the Exploratorium will be open for regular hours on Mar. 15, 1980 as follows: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday evenings 7 to 10 p.m.

These hours will remain in effect in the summer as well.

For further information, please call 563-7337.



Sports

Presidio teams beaten by Ord, head for Lewis

Both the Fort Ord women's and men's basketball teams left Saturday with narrow victories over much improved Presidio teams. The Ord women won 45-42 and the men took home a victory, 87-84.

In the women's game, both teams played sound fundamental basketball, using a tough zone defense on offense, a ball control passing game, looking for the open shot. As the score would indicate, 45-42, the winners found the open shot a little more than the losers.

Towards the closing seconds, with Fort Ord ahead, smart ball control ran down the clock eventually forcing the Presidio ladies to foul and to seal their doom. High scorer for the winners was Lillie White with 13 points. In the losing cause, Presidio maintained a balanced scoring attack from **Donna Cleville** and **Donna Leak**,

scoring 10 and 9 points respectively.

In the men's competition, Fort Ord came out firing, and looked very impressive, scoring numerous inside baskets from a high post offense. With guards cutting to either side they consistently found openings underneath the basket.

After a much needed time out, the Presidio men regrouped and found the answer by playing a more aggressive defense and by cutting off the passing lanes. Once into the rhythm of the game the hometeam Presidio scored right back, finding the hoop from inside as well as outside.

The next 30 minutes of regulation time proved exciting to watch, with both teams scoring basket for basket, and the game remained close until the final five minutes, when Fort Ord got

ahead by five points and smartly ran out the clock.

Fort Ord led a balanced scoring machine with five men in double figures, none scoring more than 12 points; while Presidio had two, **Gary Adams** scoring 10 and **James Allen** scoring a game high 25 points.

Allen's first game with the team was quite impressive and he should tremendously aid them—both defensively and offensively, having the size 6'5" and 220 pounds to go inside and grab those much needed rebounds.

The games were the Presidio's final tune-up before the FORSCOM Basketball Tournament to be held Mar. 2-7 at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Engineers cop post crown

The 864th Engineers won the hard fought battle for the post basketball championship by defeating the 170th MP's, 80-70 last week.

In order to win the final game of the long and arduous season, the 864th used its great bench depth, constantly sending in a fresh supply of players to keep constant pressure on the opposing team, and eventually causing their opponents to crack.

In the final game, both teams exchanged baskets until the final three minutes of play when the 864th pressure took effect, resulting in three quick turnovers and three quick baskets to pull the game out of reach for the fighting 170th.

The Engineers scoring came from both inside and out; with a "pistol hot" Gary Adams scoring a game high 25 points and the Elvis Williams and Anthony Sales who scored 22 and 15 points respectively. In addition, Robert Rogers came off the bench to play the sixth man role and gunned in 8 points from way out, hitting nothing but the net.

The 170th MP's lead a balanced scoring offense with four players scoring double figures; Stanley Moss with 17 points, Greg Howell with 14 points, Carl Bradley with 12 points and Joe Nichols with 12 points.

Aquarians win

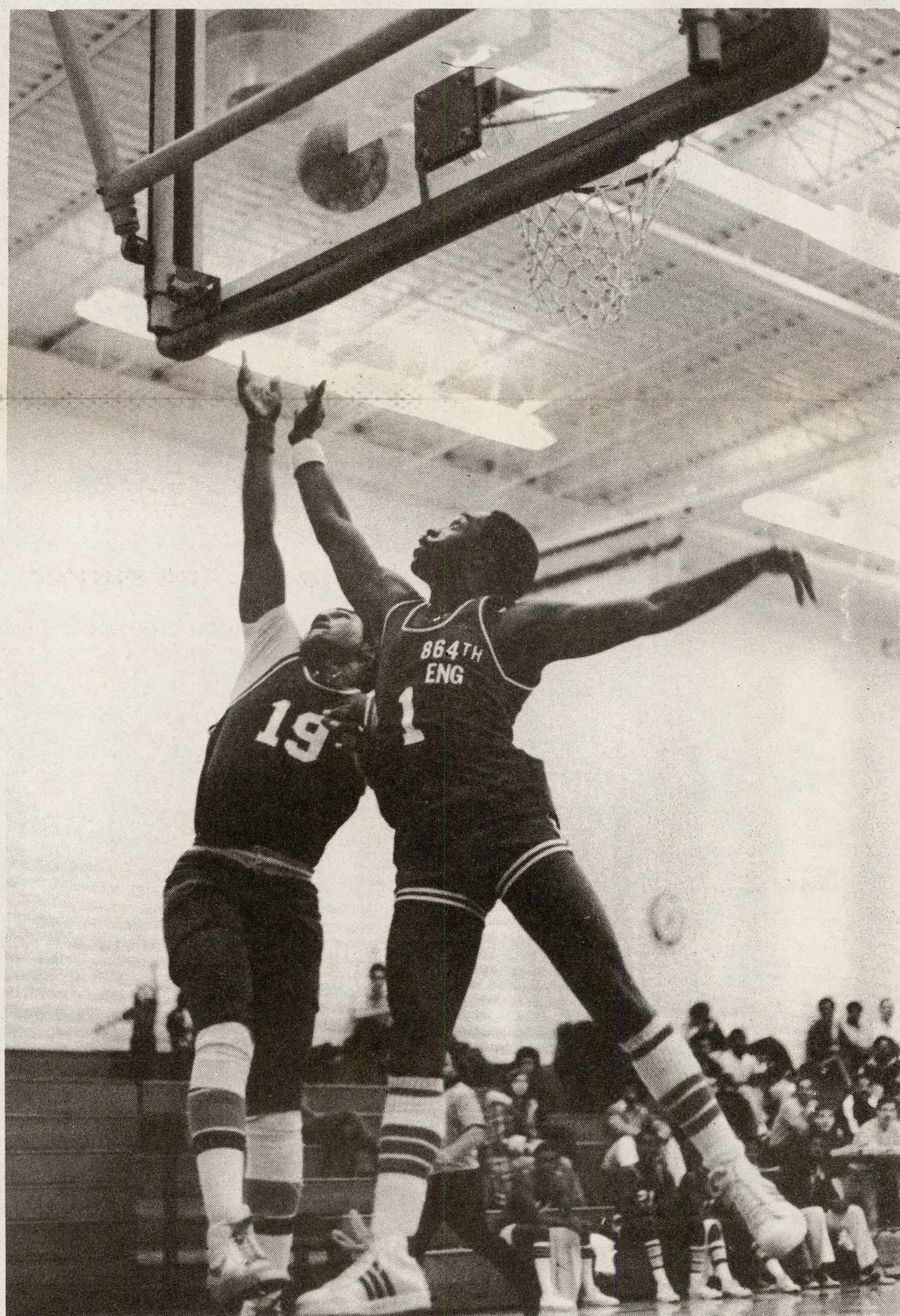
The San Francisco Recreation and Park swim team recently hosted a class "B"—"A" swim meet. Twenty-one Aquarius swimmers participated along with 25 other Bay Area swim teams. Eleven swimmers brought ribbons back to the Presidio. They are: Wendy Siefert, Thomas Dunne, Rebecca Askew, Robin Wicks, Polly Slisz, Todd Schneider, Melva George, Donna Hibbs, Lena Heby, Meg Halsey and Victor Castillo.

Gym to close

Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. No. 63, will be closed Mar. 9 until approximately 1 p.m. to conduct West Point Physical Examinations. Racquetball court reservations will be taken after 1 p.m. on that day.

Tennis lessons set

The Presidio Tennis Club are taking sign ups for tennis lessons beginning Mar. 2. For more information on the classes contact Ms. Dee Houck at 561-3516.



Up, up and away

Joe Nichols of the 170th MP Co. and Billy Williams of the 864th Engineers go for the rebound during intramural basketball action. Williams and his fellow engineers stopped Nichols and the military police to

win the post intramural basketball championship. According to spectators, the game was well played and wasn't decided until the final minutes of play. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Presidio News Notes

Recycle tomorrow

The post recycling center will be open for business tomorrow.

All Presidio residents are urged to have their newspapers and aluminum cans ready for pick up.

The recycling center is located in building 204 which is situated between post headquarters and the main post exchange.

Although pick up of recyclable items is normally held once a month, donations may be dropped off at the center at any time.

Proceeds from the center are divided up between the post boy and girl scout units, the Aquarius Swim team and chapel youth programs.

CPR Classes Set

American Red Cross will be conducting the following Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation classes during March. Please call your Red Cross Office 561-2187 to sign up to attend.

March 4 & 6th—Two sessions from 8 a.m. to noon.

March 17 & 20th—Two sessions from 8 a.m. to noon.

Call for job info

Information regarding key civilian position vacancies at morale support activities, worldwide, is now available through a 24-hour code-a-phone system.

The recording identifies positions such as morale support officers, activity coordinators, program managers/directors, activity specialists to include sports, recreation, music, theater, and

arts, and other related vacancies. It specifies the position title, GS series and grade, location, announcement number and closing date.

The caller can then submit an SF 171, letters of recommendation, supervisory appraisals, and/or an SF 50 to HQDA, DAAG-MSG, Washington, D.C. 20314, by midnight of the closing date.

The number to call is: autovon 221-8804 or 202-325-8804.

Band tonight

The sounds of the group "Nimbus" will rock the Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club tonight following the club's Prime Rib Buffet which begins at 5:30 p.m.

Officers to meet

"Legal Systems of France and Britain, as they might apply to the Military" is the subject to be discussed by Col. Frederic Speier at the Mar. 6 meeting of the Reserve Officers Association. A noted San Francisco attorney, Speier is also chairman of the International Relations section of the Commonwealth Club. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Presidio Officer's Club. Reservations are required by contacting Col. Angus L. Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Dr., Oakland, 94611.

Make your choice

Officers in your group 1973 are reminded to inform their branches of their desire for an alternate speciality by Mar. 7.

Cake class set

A new class "Introduction to Cake Decorating," will begin on Mar. 10 at the Recreation Center. The price of enrollment for the four weeks course is \$10. All interested parties are urged to sign up early as class size is limited.

For additional information on other Recreation Center activities, please call the center daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and discounts distributed daily after 4 p.m.

Help wanted

Readers of the Star Presidian in the 1700 area of the Pershing Housing Area won't be receiving their newspaper this week because someone is needed to assist in distribution of the paper. If you can help us call Mary Schuster at 561-5156.

Welcomers needed

Welcoming volunteers are needed for the 1700 section of the Pershing Housing Area. If you are interested call Mary Schuster at 561-5156.

New members sought

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club is looking for new members. If interested in joining the club, there will be a meeting Mar. 3 at 7 p.m. in the Girl Scout Building, 566. For more information call 561-6234.



Reflection on a parade

Photographer John Green caught his reflection and those around him in the helmet of a soldier participating in a recent ceremony at

the Letterman Army Medical Center. Green's photo took this week's honors in the Star Presidian's on going contest. If you have a

photo you'd like to submit, stop by the newsroom in building 37. Who knows, maybe next week your picture will be here.

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More money in soldier's future?

The Army personnel chief told a house subcommittee recently that with the cost of living and travel expenses soldiers today aren't making enough money to pay their bills.

Lt. Gen. Robert Yerks, deputy chief of staff for personnel, testified before the military compensation subcommittee of the house armed services committee concerning an amendment to a military manpower bill.

The Senate passed the amendment last month that would:

- Raise flight pay 25 percent.
- Increase subsistence allowances 10 percent.
- Authorize reenlistment bonuses for those with 10 to 14 years service.
- Increase mileage rates for PCS travel. The amendment would remove the ten cents per mile ceiling, but DoD would have to actually raise the rates.
- Provide for a variable housing allowance for areas in Conus where housing costs are more than 15 percent higher than basic allowance for quarters (BAQ). (In the San Francisco area they are 36 percent higher).

E-1's through E-4's make up about 83 percent of our force, the personnel chief told the subcommittee. "You can have directed types of compensation or across the board compensation. The truth of the matter is, to the young soldier and his family it's all wrapped up in one paycheck."

In any consideration of increases in pay and allowances, the general urged the subcommittee to consider the pay comparability problem "where inflation and pay caps have eroded the soldier's salary."

"A variable housing allowance is a very important provision in this piece of legislation because

about 50 percent of our soldiers are married," Yerks said.

"You'll see a soldier marching at the tomb of the unknown soldier and he's living in a hovel somewhere because he's married and can't afford living in an area like Washington, D.C.," he added.

Increasing the PCS Mileage Rate is also important the general said, because of the "great amounts of money the young soldier must take from his pocket for travel and lodging when we present him with an official set of orders to go from Fort A to Fort B."

Representative G. William Whitehurst (VA.) also testifying before the subcommittee said, "housing costs for military personnel in the 'with-dependents' status, not living in military housing, exceed the basic allowance for quarters in almost all areas where military personnel are assigned in the U. S."

"The average military member in the U. S. is paying \$920 more per year than he received as quarters allowance," Whitehurst added.

PCS moves, according to Whitehurst, cost military members about \$1 billion a year above what they were reimbursed.

More than 100,000 military families qualify for food stamps, Whitehurst said.

DoD supports "many of the provisions of the amendment," Mr. Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics) told the subcommittee.

"We favor the proposed increase in PCS travel reimbursements," he said. "Under-compensation of PCS moves is a major problem that we have recognized and have already proposed significant steps to solve. The FY 81 budget request includes

the maximum increase in these allowances currently permitted by law plus a legislative proposal to eliminate the ceiling now imposed," Pirie said.

DoD also favors the proposal to use reenlistment bonuses for personnel with critical skills at their reenlistment points at 10 to 14 years, according to Pirie.

DoD does not favor an across the board increase in subsistence allowances as it "adds \$139 million to the annual cost of the changes contained in the bill," Pirie said.

The Senate version of the amendment would set the effective date for the increased allowances as retroactive to Jan. 1, 1980. Representative Bill Nichols (Ala.), subcommittee chairman, suggested a later effective date to reduce the first-year costs of the provisions in the amendment.

"It is unclear that retroactivity will enhance recruiting or retention of military personnel and, further, some of the provisions of the amendment could require a month or two following enactment for implementation to be worked out," Nichols said.

DoD recommends an effective date of April 1 which would save about \$183 million in FY 80, according to Pirie. He also told the subcommittee DoD does not "necessarily endorse" the variable housing allowance.

The subcommittee has yet to vote on the amendment. Once the committee recommends their version, the full house must vote on the amendment. Any differences between the house and senate versions must be worked out before the bill goes to the president.



Who are these masked men?

These masked men are two soldiers from the Sierra Medical Clinic who recently participated in a disaster exercise. The clinic is one

of many under the supervision of the Lettermen Army Medical Center. (Photo by Chuck Dasey)

Group to study post

Lt. Col. William R. Westbrook, deputy comptroller, has been appointed chief of a group to "make the Presidio more efficient and justify its continuing existence as an Active Army installation."

Westbrook's appointment to the Management Improvement Group was announced in a letter to all post agencies from Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander.

The MIG replaces the Base Realignment Task Force which was formed by Sixth Army during the last study into the possible closure of the Presidio by the Department of Defense.

In addition to Westbrook the group will include a management analyst, space management analyst, space management specialist, a secretary and others as their expertise is needed.

According to the letter the broad mission of MIG is to:

- Reestablish responsibility for management improvement actions including back fill and other measures to enhance efficient operations of the Presidio.

- Coordinate and review the current management improvement suggestion identified by the BRTF for feasibility and implementation.

- Inform Forces Command of the Management Improvement Group actions to be pursued.

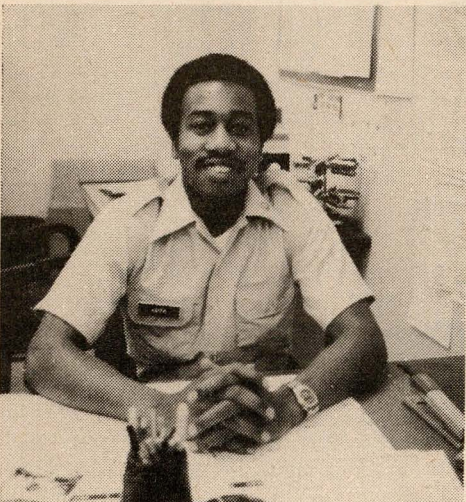
- To develop additional areas for study and action to improve Presidio base operations.

MIG will also be working closely with others involved in Commercial Industrial Type Activities (CITA) studies and with the overall master planning of the post.

No date has been set for the group to begin its work.

Ramblin' Sam

What can be done to get people to vote?



Sp4 Darrell Smith, Sixth Army Engineers—"Some people, I feel, just don't know who or what to vote for. I think there should be some sort of guide set up to enlighten a person's knowledge about voting in any election."

Sgt. Maj. Jimmie Dalton, Compact—"Insure that people are knowledgeable of voting procedures, and the role their vote plays in selecting officials to represent their voice in running the government."



Sp5 David Torres, Sixth Army Band—"Many people can't find the time to keep current on the presidential candidates views on leading issues—both foreign and domestic. Publications, such as local newspapers and magazines, expressing the candidates views on these issues would be beneficial to voters."

Sp4 Melissa Rinehart, MISO—"A lot of people don't know about the politicians they are voting for in office. There should be more publications, an unbiased opinion, on what the candidates' policies are for the future of this country."



Sgt. George Rush, USACC—"Congress should pass a law to get people involved with voting for public officials. The people should be given some initiative at election time. It's the peoples' responsibility to vote for leaders of their country."

Reader Opinion

Pershing's a ghetto?

Dear Editor,

As anyone in the armed forces knows, the serviceman, his dependants, and the general military community constructs it's own society. Each installation is like a city, offering to its inhabitants fulfillment of every need and desire.

Presidio, specifically, has been declared the most beautiful stateside base by generations of servicemen. Quite a compliment with San Francisco as it's neighbor.

Like San Francisco, and all cities, Presidio is divided into districts. Main Post, like a downtown, Presidio Heights, park and recreation areas, even an industrial area. It is also cultivating a ghetto.

The Pershing housing area has become 'the projects' of Presidio. Lawns are growing the garbage. Everyone seems to neglect to dispose of properly. Pets are allowed to run free, making a stroll to the laundry room as challenging as a mine exercise during war games.

The play areas, parking stalls, and laundry rooms are cluttered with waste, graffiti, and gross neglect. It has become an eyesore nuisance, and a very real health hazard. A military ghetto.

If it were a civilian complex, because of it's unique view and accessibility, rent would be as high as five hundred dollars a month. Is it

because the housing is a cost free benefit that it is unappreciated and even knowingly abused?

The military has a backbone of pride for one's country. Doesn't the same pride begin within one's self?

Do you really want a ghetto on Presidio?

Lesley Rose

Editor's comment: Ms. Lesley Rose is more than an occasional visitor to our post. For more than 15 years she has been involved in a number of activities on post including volunteer work at Letterman Army Medical Center and the post museum.

As a resident of the Pershing Housing Area, I must agree with her comments. Perhaps I am one of many who have helped to create this poor image of the area.

For some unexplainable reason people in the Pershing area just don't seem to take the pride in their quarter areas as other post residents.

The reasons for this continued downsliding of the Pershing housing area are many, and I invite further residents to comment on this subject.

Where's the bus?

Question: Why can't Army buses be used to transport the Presidio Preschool Kindergarten to the post library one morning a week as was done in the past?

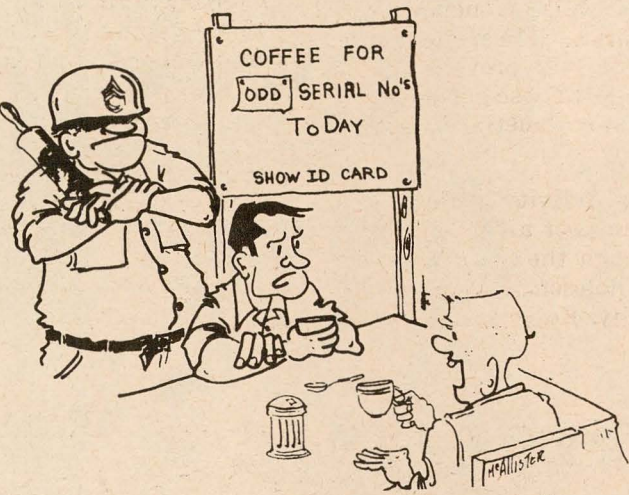
Gerry Freise

Answer: Military bus transportation for Presidio preschool/ kindergarten children to and from the post library was discontinued because government transportation

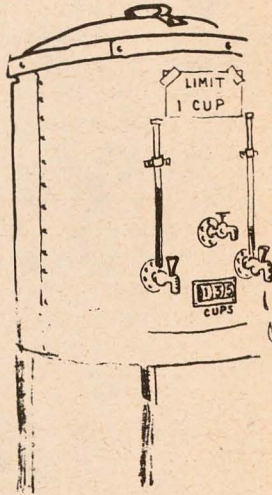
is not authorized for preschool/ kindergarten pupils in a program that is not part of the educational system.

A child in California may enter the first grade without any previous schooling. While parents may opt to send their child to preschool or kindergarten, neither can be considered part of the educational system.

Earl Obstaller
Chief, Transportation Division
DIO



"This Odd-Even stuff seems to be catchy"



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Survey shows savings are real

Soldiers and their families can **save up to 29 percent** by shopping in the PX, according to the results of a recent survey done for the Army and Air Force Exchange System.

The survey, conducted by the A.C. Nielsen Company in the area around 17 military installations in Conus, showed an overall average savings of 21 percent.

"The survey shows that we are continuing to meet our goal of providing our customers an overall dollar savings of 20 percent on items purchased in our stores," states Ms. Sandy Bourne, Presidio exchange manager.

Clothing and linen were found to be 29 percent below the average costs in the 17 states surveyed. Stationary, jewelry and household good items followed closely behind. Lesser but substantial price reductions were found on tobacco, automotive, toiletry, food, beverage and sundry items.

Approximately 25,000 prices were collected in civilian stores Nov. 1 through Dec. 15 of last year, explained Bourne. "Prices of the day," including specials and other pre-holiday promotions, were also reported for comparison against identical items sold by the exchange system.

The individual markets surveyed covered installation throughout the country and were designed to be representative of Conus exchange prices as a whole. Observers checked prices on 300 different items.

Bourne states that the survey was commissioned by AAFES headquarters to document the savings provided by the exchange service to the soldier and his family and to determine if changes in merchandise prices are needed.



Hunting for a bargain

Pvt Mark Schoettlin surveys the variety of bed linen available at the post exchange. A recent survey of Conus exchanges indicated

that a savings of 29 percent was on linen and over 21 overall by shopping in the PX. (Photo by Debbie Miller)

Senate gives Hall his third star

The United States Senate has confirmed President Carter's nomination of Maj. Gen. Charles M. Hall, the new Commanding General of the Sixth U. S. Army, to be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General.

Hall, former Chief of Staff, U. S. Army Forces Command, assumed his new duties at the Presidio of San Francisco on Feb. 4. As the senior Army officer in the western United States, he is

responsible for the readiness of Army Reserve and Guard units in a 15-state area.

A 1946 West Point graduate, Hall's past assignments have included two tours in Vietnam, command of the XVIII Airborne Corps Artillery in North Carolina, command of Fort Wainwright, Ala. and Deputy Commander of U. S. Army Alaska.

From 1973 to 1975, Hall was assigned as Director of Operations, U. S. European Command, and

then served in the same position at the U. S. Readiness Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. In March 1978, he became FORSCOM's Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics and was named Chief of Staff in May 1978.

The new Sixth Army commander replaces Lt. Gen. Eugene P. Forrester, who is now the commander of the First Republic of Korea—United States Corps Group in Korea.

No nitrates could mean trouble

Several producers of meat products, such as bologna, bacon, frankfurters and salami are now manufacturing some of their products without nitrite, which not only acts as a preservative but also helps give these products their distinctive color and taste.

According to Dr. (Maj.) Leo L. Konermann, veterinary preventive medicine officer for the Presidio, "Nitrites also help to prevent the growth of germs in these meats. These germs can cause botulism, a serious and sometimes fatal food poisoning.

The Presidio's Veterinary Activity is charged with the responsibility to inspect all foodstuffs used on or distributed through the installation. "Our job is to ensure the wholesomeness of food to the military consumer," says Konermann. This

includes the commissary as well as the cafeterias and the troop dining facilities.

At the present time, all meats being sold or distributed at the Presidio have nitrites. John Rose, commissary officer, says that the commissary has not sold any such meats and there are no stocks currently on hand.

The subject of the safety of these additives has been questioned by many people throughout the nation. They fear that such additives may be harmful to people's health. The U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has been asked to change meat processing regulations so that meats such as those listed above can be cured without nitrites and still be called by the same names.

"The USDA did change the rules, but without one important difference," according to Konermann. "So that you will be able to see right away

which frankfurters and bologna don't have nitrites, the new rules say that products without nitrite be labeled uncured."

Caution should be used in using and storing such uncured products. Konermann suggests the following if you do purchase nitrite-free meats: "You can keep uncured bologna, bacon and frankfurters in the refrigerator only four to seven days, not two to three weeks as you can meats with nitrite.

"Don't let it sit on the table or on the kitchen counter. Keep it refrigerated.

"Don't pack uncured bologna sandwiches in a brown bag lunch unless you can keep them cold until lunch time.

"And, above all, read the label on the package so you know exactly what to do."

Promotions: Commanders can award up to 150 points for soldiers going before the E-5 board

Unit commanders now have more of a say in who gets promoted to E-5.

Commanders can award up to 150 points based on the soldiers' "knowledge of and ability to perform assigned duties, dependability, attitude, initiative, conduct, physical condition and potential to perform at the next higher grade," according to 1st. Lt. Laurianne Dubia, chief of personnel management.

Previously, up to 150 points on the 1,000 point worksheet were awarded based on the enlisted evaluation report weighted averages. Enlisted

evaluation reports are no longer required for E-4's, Dubia points out.

All soldiers on E-5 promotion lists will have their scores recomputed to reflect the new policy during the regularly scheduled march recomputation period. Commanders will have to submit a DA Form 4187 (personnel action) awarding the points.

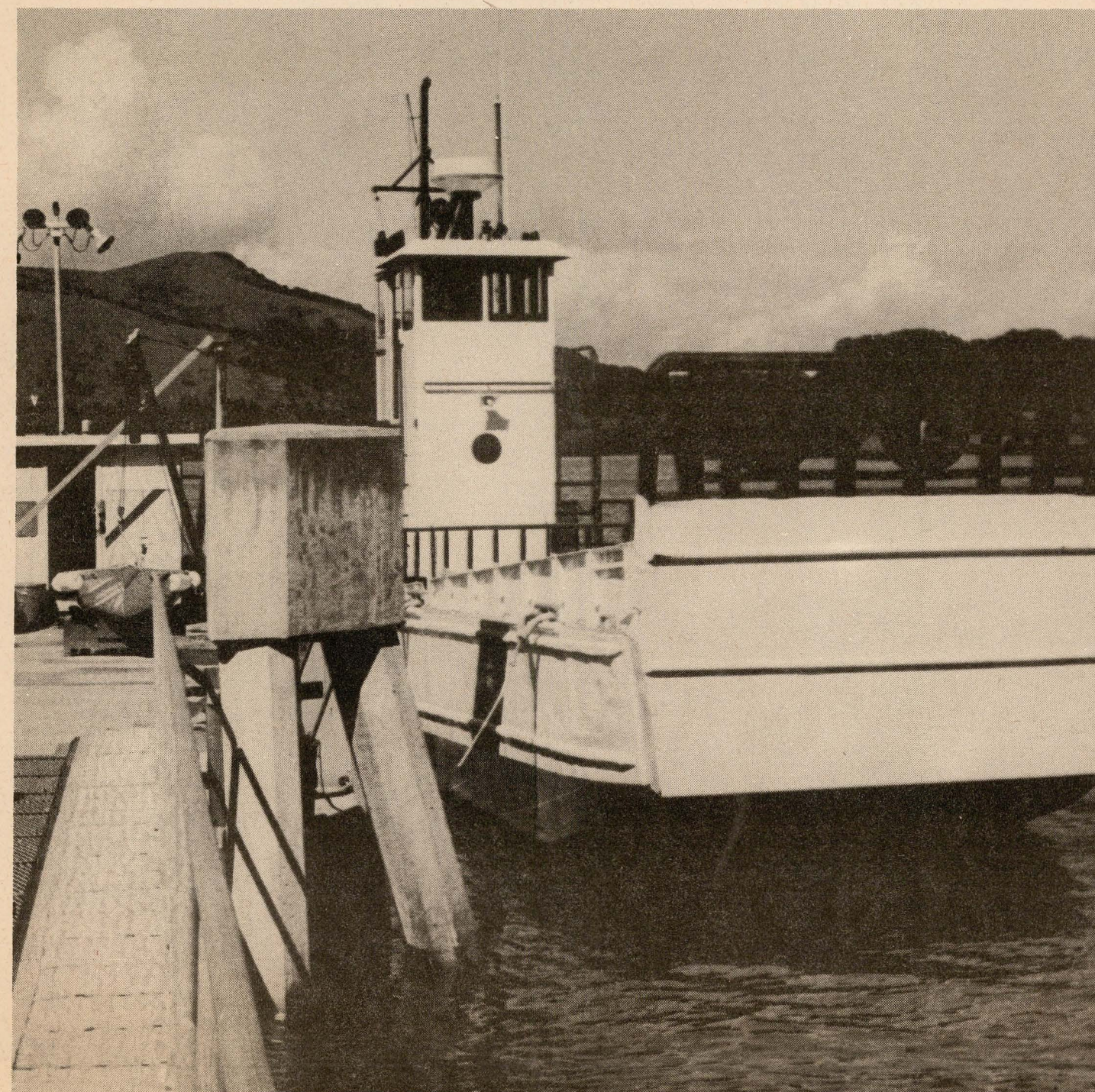
For soldiers appearing before local selection boards on or after March 1, commanders will award the points when they recommend the soldier for promotion, Dubia said.

Commanders can change the score they originally give a soldier by submitting another DA Form 4187 before the recomputation periods in March and September, Dubia added.

No soldier on the list will be "administratively removed based on failure to achieve the minimum number of points required for list status as a result of a commander decreasing the soldier's points," Dubia commented.

To remove a soldier from the list a board must meet in accordance with Chapter 7 of AR 600-200.

Angel Island's more than just a rock in the middle of the Bay



The only way

This ferry is the only means of getting to and from Angel Island.



Ghost town

Once an active military post, these buildings now stand abandoned leaving the impression of a modern-day ghost town on Angel Island.

Stories and photos by Jim Edwards

The Spanish viewed it and called it "Isle de los Angeles", Island of the Angels. For decades sailors knew it as Wood Island, a place where sturdy trees and a safe anchorage could be found.

Today as Angel Island State Park, in the San Francisco Bay, it is a repository of some of the most interesting and extensive histories in the United States.

Except for the native Americans, the first to see a map Angel Island was the Spanish expedition of Juan Manuel De Ayala who visited the island in 1775 while exploring and mapping the San Francisco Bay. Ayala, however never actually visited the island since he had shot himself in the foot in an accident shortly before. According to some historical records his second in command, Don Jose De Canizeras, made the first crude diagrams of the area.

Except for woodcutting which denuded parts of the island, the land was uninhabited until a Spaniard in 1837 named Antonio Maria Osio gained rights to the island to graze cattle.

When the Americans gained control of California in 1846, Osio was kicked out and his cattle eaten, and it wasn't until 1860 that anyone took an active interest in Angel Island, other than some sandstone quarry operations.

This time it was the Army who decided on the construction of coastal batteries to protect the San Francisco Bay area from Confederate attack.

Meanwhile, just prior to the turn of the century, reports of Pacific Coastal defenses being dangerously weak, led the military to construct new gun emplacements on Angel Island. There were operational by 1904, but due to rapid advances in naval gun technology during this period, the guns were in action only five years before they were deemed obsolete and abandoned.

The 3rd U.S. Artillery constructed and occupied the area of the island known as West Garrison and Camp Reynolds, and it is here and at Ayala Cove that the oldest structures stand, some dating back to the Civil War period. Many of these structures were used until the end of World War II when they were then abandoned.

During the same period Ayala Cove became known as Hospital Cove, and was used as a quarantine station for soldiers and immigrants with dangerous communicable diseases. It was also the point where incoming grain shipments to the United States were pumped with dry steam to prevent the entry of insects and other pests.

In the early 1900's another section of the island known as East Garrison and Ft. McDowell was established as a reception station for troops returning from the Spanish American War, and as an embarkation point for troops bound for the Pacific.

Some time later North Garrison was developed by the Immigration service to process Europeans who would be entering the United States through the Panama Canal, but with the first World War in Europe, that changed, and the job of regulating the flow of Oriental immigrants became its primary function.

In 1940 after its administration building burned, the Immigration service abandoned the site and returned to the mainland.

Garguilo likes it

It's peaceful on the island

"I live in the safest neighborhood in the San Francisco Bay Area," began Mike Garguilo, a ranger with the California Department of Parks and Recreation, "there aren't many neighbors out here."

For the past eight months Garguilo has been the supervising ranger for Angel Island State Park near Tiburon in the San Francisco Bay. He along with eight others and their families are the only permanent inhabitants of an island which once housed thousands of roudy soldiers and desperate immigrants.

"I love it out here," he commented, "we don't get out much, but the work on the island keeps us busy and surroundings are fantastic." Garguilo and his wife Melissa, and their two children, Daniel and Sara, ages two and three are the only residents of what used to be officer's quarters in East Garrison.

"Our house is huge. We have three floors, a total of seven bedrooms, and five bathrooms, and only one space heater," Garguilo indicated that the facilities for heating the power originally built for the base had long since been abandoned. "We have two fireplaces designed for use with coal, but there is only wood, so they are not that terribly efficient with such a large house."

"House cleaning is another chore, and for the past eight months have been unable to get curtains on all the windows so the place won't look so abandoned."

Not long after the Immigration service departed some new guests arrived. There, unwilling guests of the United States, were Prisoners of War. This included a special guest, U.S. Pow No. 1, a Japanese mini-sub operator captured at Pearl Harbor on the day of the attack.

Following the war, the island was used as a mustering out point for the participants in the Pacific theater. After the returning waves of servicemen turned into a trickle, the center was closed and the island abandoned by the military, in Aug. 1946.

Efforts then mounted to make Angel Island a state park, but that ended in 1954 when the Army selected Angel Island as a site for a NIKE missile base and began construction. The public finally gained access to the island when the base was deactivated in 1962 and the entire island was turned over to the California park system.

The island's character has undergone numerous changes through the variety of occupations it saw. With the various military garrisons came people and plants from all over the world,

"There are no problems with vandalism, and we rarely ever have to lock anything up. There is no way on or off the island without going through the Park service."

What about changes in lifestyle? "An ice cream maker is a necessity beyond a doubt," he mused, a trip to the mainland for groceries is a story all in itself," he indicated it was often on a scale similar to a full-scale amphibious relief operation. "Especially when the roads are washed out by heavy rains and trees have fallen on power lines."

What about ghosts on the island? "It's not haunted," he insisted, "But the plumbing is half and half." Another of his assistants indicated he was sometimes sure his house was. "There are times when passing ships and their engines cause the house to rumble, and the windows to rattle, but there are no trains or freeways or cars going by, so it's a better than even trade."

To Ranger Mike Garguilo and his family, atmosphere and quiet have been a reasonable trade-off for the isolation of island life, and understandably enough, "The only population explosion I have to contend with is me."

"We love the solitude, and the quiet. After all the tourists leave during the day, some of the biggest thrills are the views of San Francisco in the night."

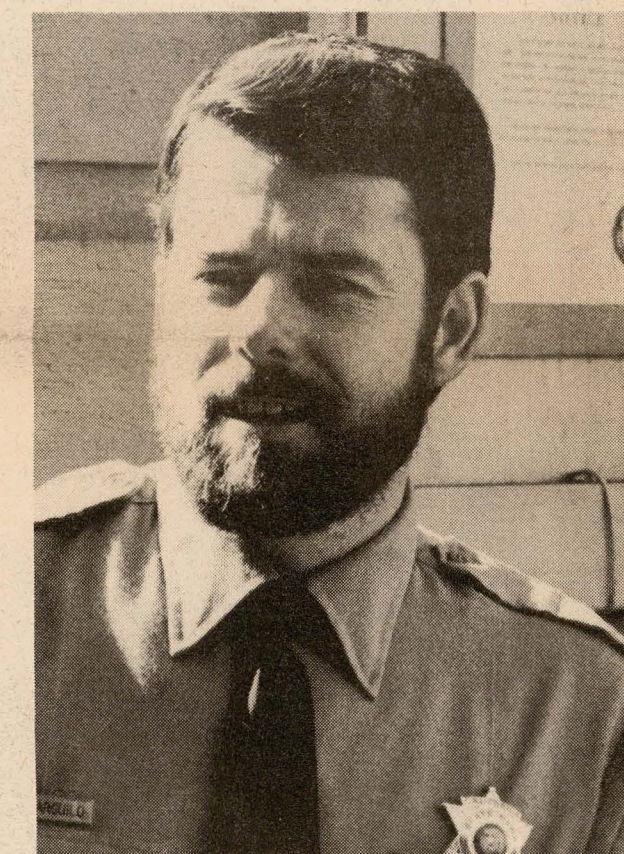
which have flourished on parts of the island, and gives it a distinct international flavor from desert plants to tropical palms.

The California State Department of Parks and Recreation has done a fine job of balancing the need for accessibility to visitors with the need to prevent overdevelopment of this historic treasure-trove.

Modern-day Angel Island can be reached by ferry or private boat. Tour operations run on weekends during winter season, and daily during the summer.

To visit historic Angel Island, you need only our sense of adventure, and a little imagination for the island abounds with relics and reminders of a unique and sometimes turbulent past.

For more information on Angel Island State Park, write:
Angel Island State Park
P. O. Box 318
Tiburon, California 94920
Phone: (415) 435-1915



Ranger Mike

Park Ranger Mike Garguilo likes living on Angel Island.

It was just one of those days

by Jim Edwards

Have you ever had one of those days? Well, Sub LT. Sakamaki, of the Japanese 6th Submarine Fleet, had such a day Dec. 7th, 1941.

The world remembers that day as one which changed history. For the commander of a lone mini-sub, trying to accomplish a suicide mission in the seas around Hawaii, it was a day when nothing seemed to go right.

Months of preparation went into the launch on the night of Dec. 6-7.

Sakamaki piloted mini-sub number I-18, one of several launched from five mother subs with the mission of assisting in the destruction of the US fleet stationed at Pearl Harbor.

Almost immediately things began going wrong. Navigation problems developed and

the sub began taking on water according to some accounts. Soon after, perhaps because of the water, problems with the electrical engines developed and the sub began to founder.

By this time several other subs had been sighted and sunk, with at least one penetrating deep into the harbor, surfacing after the air attack and launching its two torpedos with only minor damage.

Sakamaki in the meantime had managed to get going again, but was, in a word, lost. His sub came under attack three times and ran aground twice according to news stories. To make matters worse, something went wrong with his torpedo launchers.

Finally his engines failed and the sub began taking on water and leaving it stranded high and dry upon a reef.

At this point, Sakamaki decided there

was nothing left to do but set the demolition charges to destroy the sub and swim for it. Sakamaki struggled onto the beach and surrendered, evidently preferring Hawaii to suicide, as one report put it.

As a final blow, the charges meant to destroy his submarine never went off and the craft was plucked from the reef without ever having fired a shot in anger. It served as an important part of a national Savings Bond campaign, and after a nationwide tour was last reported to be on display in the front yard of the Lighthouse museum in key west, Florida.

America's first P. O. W. of World War II spent the duration of the war interred on Angel Island in the San Francisco Bay, and his submarine became the first of a long line of Japanese compact imports in to the United States.

Lyles' a modern day patriot

by Pete Britten

Herman Lyles is a modern day "Nathan Hale." A true American patriot who has a very simple reason for feeling as he does. "I just love my country," Lyles says, "and I always will."

While sticking up for his country, he doesn't mind talking about the need for loyalty and patriotism during job breaks throughout his workday at the post gymnasium or at a lunch period in the post cafeteria.

Lyles backs up his conviction when he explains that he has more than forty years of federal service on the sea and subsequently on shore. He spent nearly 30 years in the Navy from pre-World War II days to the post-Korean conflict period. After retirement, he began his "re-up" phase as a civilian with the Department of the Army.

Born in Lancaster, Tenn. as one of a 13 member family, Lyles recalls with much pride his boyhood while growing up in the farm country and mountain area near Knoxville. "I had to attend a one room schoolhouse that was five miles away and we walked both ways each day," he said. "We had all of fifty students in that one building," Lyles reflected.

"What I think of a lot is my time in high school in a town called Gordonsville." "Even though I was a student, I feel honored now as I did then to get the big responsibility of driving the school bus from the time I was sixteen years old until I became eighteen. Of course I had a twenty five thousand dollar bond on me for protection to drive," he said. "There were thirty kids in the bus and I'm proud that I never had a single accident. I was paid ten dollars a month and made certain that I was always on time because my parents taught me early in life how important it is to be prompt and not tardy," he stressed. "Besides my parents, I owe a lot to Professor Beard who was the principal instructor and football coach at our school."

"I decided to join the Navy in January 1933 because I had a friend who told me about the opportunity. In those days, one class of sixteen Blacks was allowed to enter a month. So, I went to Nashville to sign up."

Lyles recalled that his first supervisor in the Navy was a "straight-laced," "no-nonsense" type officer, a Lieutenant "Frog" Eggleston. His very first job was in the general mess galley where he was assigned to wash pots and pans.

Later Lyles was sent for basic training at Norfolk, Va. The training period was three months and the class of sixteen dwindled to eleven.

"After graduation, I was assigned to the USS Wyoming where I stayed aboard for fifteen months and where bad conduct discharges were frequent. "One consolation was that I was complimented for my conduct aboard ship all that time by Commander Taylor and I believe he was sincere, but I was really relieved to get off the Wyoming after such a long time," Lyles smiled.

"Minorities such as Blacks, Filipinos and other Asians were assigned as mess personnel from 1932 to 1942. So I spent three years in a variety of assignments in the food service field." "In 1939, I was sent to San Diego for sixteen weeks of chef training at a local hotel."

From 1939 until 1941 he served on the USS Nashville which took him to Pearl Harbor. In May of 1941 Lyles returned to shore duty at Jacksonville, Fla. where he met Clyde Eloise Finlyson at a church gathering.

They courted for a short time and finally Lyles proposed to his sweetheart and they were married on Aug. 23, 1941.

Lyles stayed in Jacksonville until 1943 when he left to become a combat replacement overseas in the South Pacific. He was assigned as an ammunition handler on battleships during episodes at Leyte, Guadacanal and the Solomon Islands.

In 1944, Lyles became chief of the 40mm guns on the ship's deck. After his duty aboard the USS Midway in 1945, he went to Newfoundland where he supervised the nearly 130 mess attendants required to feed over 500 officers.

"Since I had received extensive training in food service supervision, I continued to get supervisory jobs in the Navy from 1946 up to the conflict in Korea," Lyles said. "I had a variety of ship and shore assignments all that time."

"When the Korean war broke out, I left my family in Concord (Calif.) and boarded the USS Hancock out of Hunter's Point which was headed to Korea. I served there on the USS Fire Drake, an ammunition ship from 1950 to 1952," Lyles recounted.

After the Korean conflict Lyles served alternately in Alaska and the state of Washington. In 1959 he retired from the Navy and settled in Pittsburg, Calif. He served with the Army Corps of Engineers in Portland, Oregon from 1963 to 1966 when he joined the Morale Support staff at the Presidio.

Besides his wife, Lyles has three children. His son Herman, Jr. is an Air Force veteran while Marshall served in the Marine Corps. Nancy, his only daughter, now serves with a Navy aviation unit in Spain.

Today Lyles is an active member of "K-West" Mess Attendants Reunion Organization where he is Corresponding Secretary for the Northern California area. This group held its third annual convention in Oakland last November.

Lyles' philosophy for the people in this country is still unchanged and simple. "Love America by being patriotic," he remarked, "by serving and doing your duty when your country calls. Always remember to be reliable, steadfast—use common sense and teamwork. With this approach our country can be strong and keep its unity."



Taking a break

Herman Lyles checks his trip ticket before heading out on another run from the post

gym.
(Photo by Debbie Miller)

Off Post

The final performances of "Purlie Victorious," by Ossie Davis, will be given tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 7 p.m., at the Presidio Playhouse. Tickets are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., except on Sunday, and 30 minutes before performances.

The rock group "Steam Roller" will perform at the Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club this evening from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Tomorrow "Free

Ride" and "Doc Web" highlight an all night disco from 10 p.m. to 5 p.m. Breakfast will be served from 1 to 3 a.m.

The club's Sunday brunch has been cancelled.

The Presidio Officers' Club will sponsor Right Arm Night for all bosses and their assistants on Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m.

The club will celebrate St. Patrick's Day, Mar. 17, with Irish folk music, special priced

steaks, and corned beef and cabbage starting at 5 p.m.

The Recreation Center has space available for a "Grey Whale Watching Tour" schedule for March 29 at 1 p.m. The \$6 cost of the tour, includes bus transportation and accommodation on the boat.

See the world for pennies-a-day

(Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of articles to help you see the world, the country and California inexpensively.)

By Jim Edwards

Spring and summer weather approaches. Your mind begins to wander to warm sand and sunny beaches. The tilting of your office chair begins to remind you of a palm tree gently swaying to a cool tropical breeze. You find yourself sighing in front of every travel poster you pass, Hawaii, the Philippines, Okinawa.

A quick look at your bank balance tells you this will be another year of staying home and city crowds. Not so my fine green suited friend. For as little as twenty dollars round trip you may find yourself in a tropical paradise for as long as you can take leave. Add another twenty or so and you can include side trips to Singapore, Guam, Korea and Japan.

By using Space available "A" travel aboard Military Airlift Command aircraft and the extensive system of military recreation and R&R centers worldwide, a travel minded soldier and his dependents can join the jet set for peanuts.

Space "A" is not risk free. As its name implies you are traveling strictly in the space available that is not needed for transporting duty passengers or cargo. Officials at the MAC Terminal at Travis Air Force Base indicate waiting times can sometimes be as long as two or three days for some destinations. Other destinations often have no waiting lines and leave with empty seats.

"Travel between Korea and Japan is easily accomplished in two or three days round trip," according to the NCOIC of the Passenger

terminal at Osan Air Force Base south of Seoul, Korea. "Once overseas I had no wait between Okinawa and the Philippines and back," stated one veteran Space "A" traveler. My wife and I visited Okinawa, Hong Kong, and the Philippines for about \$120 each last year and the travel on Space available made the trip that much more exciting," was the comment of a recent returnee from Korea.

Space Available is not a magical answer to all your travel needs. The first step in making a travel dream come true courtesy of MAC is doing your research. That includes deciding where you want to go, how long you have to stay, and what you are willing to spend to stay there. This is where a knowledge of military R & R center system comes in handy.

Generally wherever a US fleet docks regularly there will be a Fleet Recreation facility. Some are run by the US, others by our allies and used jointly. For example the one in Hong Kong is the China Fleet Club, run by the British Royal Navy.

Many require reservations, and in all cases the fleets have priority, but a main attraction is that in many cases you can "**Rent a Bunk**" for as little as a dollar a day in some of the hottest tourist spots in the world.

Next, **you will need a valid passport, shot records up to date, and a valid visa for each country you intend to visit.** It is also useful to get visas to all the countries along the route in case of unscheduled stops. Without a visa, you won't get on the plane.

To get the Visas you will need to contact the consular offices of each country. These usually require an application and passport size photos, so start well in advance of your trip date.

Thirdly there are very strict limits on how much you can take aboard a military aircraft. Generally you can take no more than 66 pounds maximum per person, any excess will have to be disposed of.

Your best bet is to mail any souvenirs you acquire through one of the Fleet Post offices (FPO) or Army Post Offices (APO) serving the bases or Recreation Centers overseas.

Insure that your leave orders contain a statement authorizing you to travel in civilian clothes aboard military aircraft, or be prepared to travel in uniform. An emergency set of khakis is also nice to have just in case.

Another consideration is the travel itself. There is no way of telling what kind of aircraft you will be flying. It may range from a commercial type passenger flight, to the cargo hold of a propeller driven C-130. Some of them get a little noisy so take along a good set of earplugs, and at some altitudes it gets a little cold so carry a sweater on board with you.

A check with the local office of the Public Health Service will tell you if you need any special shots to go to the country you have selected. Start getting your shots up to date well in advance also.

One of the most important things to take along is enough emergency cash, in traveler's checks, to cover your way home in case of emergency or serious disruption of Space "A" service.

For information about MAC flights out of Travis call the Space "A" representative at (707) 438-3269, or autovon 837-3269.

When you complete all your steps, don't forget your beach towel, suntan oil, and a copy of the Star Presidian, and we'll see you next fall.

Sports

Post teams in big tourney

The Presidio Men's Basketball team remains undefeated after their first two games in the FORSCOM Basketball Tournament being held at Fort Lewis, Wash. The post women's team is winless, however, after their first game.

In their first game of the tourney, the Presidio men downed the team from Fort Sam Houston 83-78, but had to go to overtime before dumping the team from Hawaii 108-107.

The women on the other hand fell short of victory with a 37-32 loss to Fort Ord.

Complete results from the tourney will appear next week.

Clinic planned

There will be a meeting for all golf intramural team captains at the Fort Scott gym, Bldg 1226, at 1 p.m., March 10.

Road race set

The annual Post Road Racing Championship will be conducted Mar. 26 starting at noon.

The start and finish will be at post gym no. 1, Bldg. 63. The distance of the race will be five miles, over paved, rolling roads with two major hills. This course, a true test of running ability, will be run over scenic territory that winds through the middle of the post. A map may be viewed on the running bulletin board at the gym.

Awards will be presented to the top two active duty finishers in each division. Divisions are as follows:

Men

Open—29 years and under

Sub Masters—30 years thru 39 years

Masters—40 years and older

Women

Open—29 years and under

Masters—30 years and older

Active duty soldiers, dependents, retirees and Department of the Army civilians assigned to the

Presidio, desiring to enter are requested to sign up at the post gym No. 1 office no later than 10 minutes before the start of the race.

Gym to close

Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. No. 63, will be closed Mar. 9 until approximately 1 p.m. to conduct West Point Physical Examinations. Racquetball court reservations will be taken after 1 p.m. on that day.

Masters tickets

The Presidio has been offered an opportunity to purchase, for active duty only, one series badge, for the 1980 Masters Golf Tournament at Augusta, Ga., April 10-13.

Cost of the series badge is \$48.00, which covers the four days of tournament play plus a play-off, if necessary. Badges for practice rounds cost \$6.00 each for April 7 and 8 and \$12 for April 9.

Requests for the badges must be made by no later than noon on March 12 to Mr. Jim Ragasa at 561-5328 or 2070.

Cycle race set

A bicycle race will take place on Murray Circle, East Fort Baker on Sunday, from 8 a.m. until noon. The sponsor of the race is the Flying Wheels Club of San Francisco. This race for competitive cyclists of Northern California and Nevada, is entitled "The Flying Wheels Criterium" and is being conducted for the fifth time in this area. Everyone interested is invited to spectate.

Teams wanted

Intramural slow pitch softball competition will begin May 5 with a clinic for rules interpretation to be conducted April 28 at 1:30 at post gym No. 1.

Units desiring to enter a team must notify the Morale support Division, ATTN: AFZM-PA-MSA, by April 21.



Presidio News Notes

Teen dance at OARB

Presidio teens are invited to attend a St. Patrick's Disco Night at the Oakland Army Base Teen Club on Mar. 15 from 8 to 11 p.m.

A professional disc jockey will be on hand to provide entertainment for the cost of 50¢ for singles and 75¢ per couple.

The club is located in the Youth Activities Center, building 64, on Oakland Army Base.

O'sea briefing set

All soldiers on orders for overseas assignments are reminded that the next **mandatory overseas orientation** will be conducted Mar. 20 at 1 p.m. in LAMC's Torney Hall.

Museum on TV

The **Presidio Army Museum** will be featured during a segment of KPIX-TV's "Evening Magazine" on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. KPIX is channel 5.

German lessons open

Headed for Germany? Your stay in Germany will be more enjoyable and the cultural shock reduced if you learn something before you arrive at your new duty station.

By enrolling in a beginning German language class at the Fort Scott Education Center, you can learn enough practical German to be able to ask directions, order a meal, go shopping, exchange dollars, and to do many other essential items.

Classes will be held each Monday and Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. beginning Mar. 10 and ending May 7.

Military personnel and their dependents and civilians on orders for Germany have priority for enrollment in this tuition free class.

For more information or to enroll call 561-2974 or 4445.

Try-outs planned

Auditions for the Broadway musical, "**Mame**," will be held at the Presidio Playhouse March 22 and 23, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Auditions are open to all interested persons.

This large musical comedy calls for a cast of 40-56, all types and ages, including Patrick—age 10—a large part and singing voice. The part of Mame is pre-cast.

All other parts, including 15 principals and large singing and dancing ensembles, and several character non-singing roles.

Beginning Mar. 12, those wishing to audition may call 561-3992 for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates.

Rehearsals are held weekday evenings and weekends during the day. The Presidio Players' production will be presented during the month of June, in conjunction with the 1980 FORSCOM Festival of the Performing Arts.

Movies

Presidio Theater

Mar. 8—The Little Prince (G)
Mar. 8—Star Crash (PG)
Mar. 9—Apocalypse Now (R)
Mar. 10—Apocalypse Now (R)
Mar. 11—Apocalypse Now (R)
Mar. 12—The Main Event (PG)
Mar. 13—Yanks (R)
Mar. 14—Yanks (R)

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 10—Capricorn One (PG)
Mar. 11—1941 (PG)
Mar. 12—Game of Death (R)
Mar. 13—Parts—The Clonus Horror (R)
Mar. 14—Running (PG)

Volunteers sought

The **Star Presidian** and Army Community Service offices have been receiving a number of complaints from families in Presidio housing areas who are not receiving their newspapers.

Since the newspapers are delivered by volunteers, we have no control over them other than to try to find others to assist in this effort.

If you can help please contact Mrs. Mary Schuster at 561-5156.



An all-American

Sp4 Ken Juber took the honors in the Photo of the Week contest with this photo taken dur-

ing the ceremonies honoring the World War I telephone operators at the Presidio Army Museum. The Star Presidian contest is open

to all photographers on post. To submit your entry just drop it by our offices in building 37. All photos will be returned.

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New employee award revealed

The Presidio has established an Employee of the Year awards program that will honor outstanding employees of the post and tenant units according to Mrs. Barbara Eckstrom, local incentive awards administrator.

The program will cover both military and civilian employees and will honor nine different categories including professional, management, clerical, technical, administrative, trades and crafts, equal employment opportunity, service to the community and the handicapped.

"We know we have many outstanding employees here at the Presidio," says Eckstrom. "This program is one of the best ways to honor

these hard workers."

The Presidio program covers employees who are military officer or enlisted, active and reservists on active duty, paid out of either appropriated or non-appropriated funds and must have been employed or permanently assigned to the Presidio or serviced activities for a minimum of 12 months preceding the nomination.

"Nominations can be made by practically everyone, both co-workers and supervisors," according to Eckstrom.

Nominations must be submitted to Civilian Personnel by May 15. There is no limit to the number of nominations that can be submitted by

individual activities.

The selection of the winners in each of the nine categories will be made by the Presidio of San Francisco Local Incentive Awards Committee along with one representative of the Letterman Army Medical Center.

In addition to the winners, all nominations will be automatically considered for submission to the San Francisco Bay Area Federal Executive Board Employee of the Year Award competition.

More information concerning these award programs may be obtained from Eckstrom at the incentive awards office in civilian personnel, 561-4332.

DA overhauls SQT, makes it shorter

A shorter written test, more emphasis on hands-on and performance testing, single skill level testing and faster feedback highlight upcoming changes to the Skill Qualification Test (SQT), according to an announcement made recently by DA officials.

The Army chief of staff recently approved certain changes which will be made on the SQT's fielded during FY 81, officials said.

The written component will be renamed the "skill component" and will be much shorter than in the past. For combat arms E-1's through E-4's it will be limited to one hour. For all others it will be limited to two hours.

Officials say studies have shown scores drop the longer soldiers spend taking the test. This suggests boredom, not lack of knowledge on the part of the soldier.

The "hands-on" portion of the test remains basically the same. Commanders will be able to break this portion of the test into "bite size" segments so it can be given more easily, officials said.

An additional skill component or written test will be available for soldiers who can't take the hands-on component because they're assigned where they do not have the necessary equipment for their MOS.

A new job-site component, administered by the first line supervisor, will be added to the test replacing the performance certification component. The first line supervisor will prepare the soldier and administer the on-the-line evaluation.

"The idea is to get the supervisor involved in training for the task," an official explained. About three months before the actual test period, the supervisor will get the job site test booklet to use in training.

For combat arms soldiers, the largest part of the "new" SQT will be hands-on job site component testing. Combat support soldiers will have equal amounts of hands-on, job site and skill component testing. Combat service support soldiers will have an SQT made up of half skill component and the other half will be hands-on and job site.

Testing a single skill level has also been approved. In the past, about 25 percent of the SQT was made up of tasks from the next higher skill level. Officials say they've learned, however,

it isn't practical to evaluate two skill levels in a single test.

Improving feedback to the soldier, particularly E-1's through E-4's has been another area of concern, officials said. Presently, when a soldier takes the hands-on and performance tests, he gets the results immediately. The results of the written test, however, may take more than 30 days to reach the soldier.

"You may lose the training value," a DA spokesman said. "The soldier wants to know how well he did now—not a month or more later."

To resolve this problem, the training and doctrine command (TRADOC) will provide practice questions and answers in the SQT notice so the field can test and score E-1's through E-4's locally. This way, the SQT can be used for daily training. The SQT would still be given on a formal basis once a year and the results would be forwarded to TRADOC for analysis.

Also, officials say, a system is being studied to allow commands to scope the tests. Using the mini-computer and mark sensed form reader, brigade level organizations would be able to score their own tests quickly. The computer would also print out reports giving a clear picture of the unit's performance. These would be used to assess strengths and weaknesses in individual training programs.

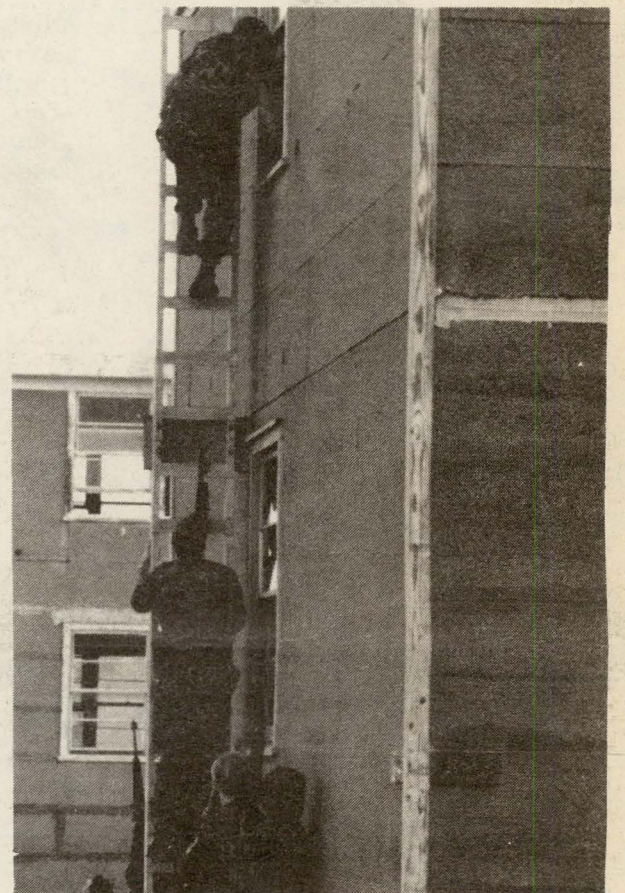
The area of common tasks is also being studied, officials said. Within the SQT a number of tasks are common to every soldier. These tasks need to be standardized throughout the Army. A more efficient system is being developed to do this, officials say.

One significant change which is already in effect is in how SQT scores are used. Before, soldiers had to score 80 or higher to be eligible for promotion without a waiver. Soldiers who scored less than 80 could compete for promotion with a waiver if their score was in the top half of all those tested in their MOS.

Now, in conjunction with single skill level testing, soldiers with a score of 60 or higher are eligible for promotion without a waiver. Soldiers with a score of 59 or lower may compete with a waiver. For scores of 60 or above, soldiers will receive bonus points when competing for promotion to E-5 or E-6.

their calls and visits between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and noon.

Everyone is asked to use the main entrance when visiting the Civilian Personnel Office. This request is necessary in order to safeguard official files and records and to provide maximum service.



The assault

Members of the 504th MP Battalion's special reaction team begin their assault on an armed gunman holding a hostage at Camp Parks. Fortunately it was just an exercise designed to test the team's reactions. (Photo courtesy 504th)

MPs rescue hostage

A soldier held hostage by an armed gunman is safe today after Presidio military police rescued him last week.

The unidentified victim was taken hostage while on duty at Camp Parks. The 170th MP Company who were in the field at the time were the first to arrive on the scene.

Two squads from the 504th MP Battalion's special reaction team and the Provost Marshal's hostage negotiation team were summoned to the scene by the 170th.

Once the MPs had positioned themselves around the building MSgt. Earl Castle of the negotiation team began talking to the suspect in trying to get him to give up and release his hostage.

During the negotiation one MP was shot by the gunman and had to be rescued by the special reaction team.

After several hours, the teams lead an assault on the building freeing the hostage unharmed ending an exercise designed to test the response capabilities of the teams to handle a barricaded hostage taker.

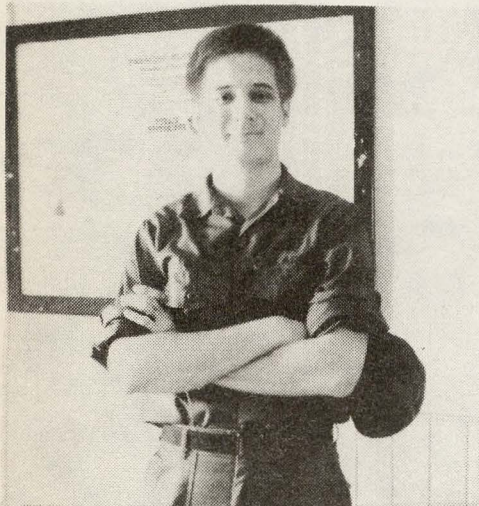
CPO branch closed to visitors

Effective immediately, the Recruitment and Placement Branch (R&P) of the Civilian Personnel Office (CPO) will be closed to visitors, employees and supervisors and telephone calls between the hours of noon and 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. To minimize interruption and to provide all serviced activities with more timely staffing assistance, all are urged to schedule

Ramblin' Sam

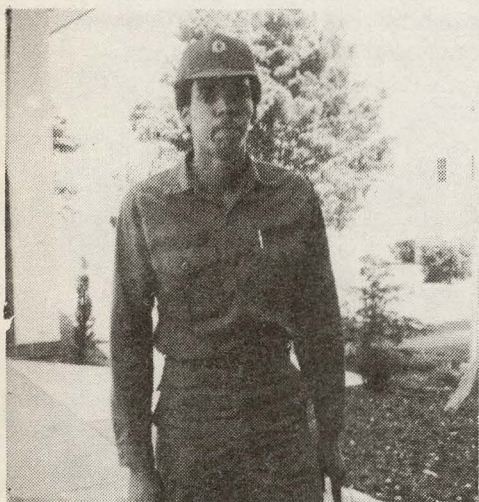
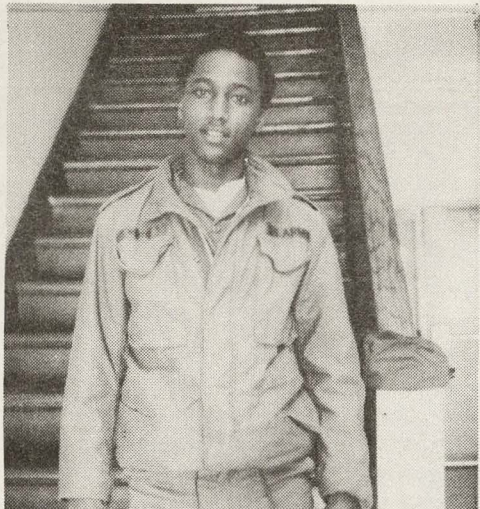
What can be done to improve life in the barracks?

Sp4 Anthony Halley, 864th Engineers—"Remodeling the rooms in my barracks would be a great improvement. This would include fixing the ceiling and installing a better heating system."



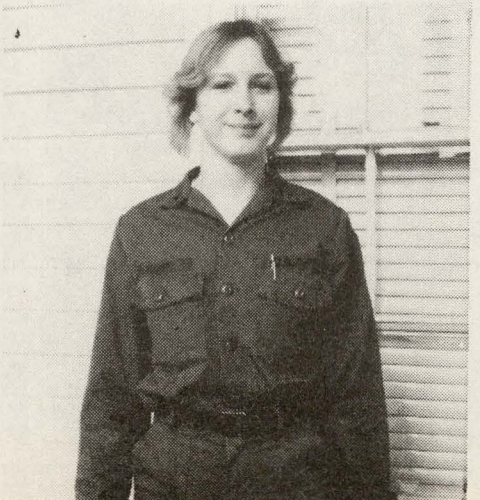
Sp4 Dale Carl, Sixth Army Band—"Getting the new barracks would be a great improvement. But for now, remodeling the old barracks such as heating, painting, or more furniture in the rooms would be sufficient."

Pfc Philip White, Photo Lab—"Living in building 101, I would like to have the rooms painted plus new curtains and wall lockers installed."



Pfc Farris Gaston, LAMC—"Everybody should get hand receipts to select furniture for their rooms, which they are responsible for. There should be no restrictions, because of a person's rank, on the type of furniture requested."

Pvt. Karin Waters, SID-PERS—"USAG should have a visitation policy for personnel living in the barracks. Both the engineers and the MPs have a policy to override this problem."



Reader Opinion

Thank you PSF

Dear Editor,

I wish I could transfuse many other San Francisco organizations with Presidio enthusiasm! With this quarter's blood drive, Presidians proved that they can be on top and still keep climbing.

Results of your efforts are as follows:

Building 1227—191 registered, 183 donations

Building 135—215 registered, 196 donations

170th MP Co. at IMBB—39 registered, 33 donations

Totals—455 registered, 412 donations

Please extend our appreciation to the command, those who helped coordinate and recruit, and to all those **very special people** who came by to donate. Also, an extra note of thanks to your **92 first-time donors**. We'll be looking forward to seeing them again in May!

Lisa J. Cater
Director of Donor Recruitment

Thanks for the mention

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for immortalizing my "fancy red foreign sedan" in Mike Christy's CARPOOLING article which appeared in the Feb. 29 issue. Not since I was stopped on the Wurzburg autobahn have I received such written notoriety.

Let me say that I totally agree with the premise in Christy's article. I am a member of a three person carpool from HAFB to PSF, and have been for some time. Prior to this pool, I frequented the HAFB bus, but soon found it to be inadequate for my daily commute. Standing in the aisle of a mechanically doubtful marvel of mass transportation whose schedule was equally unpredictable did not fit my needs. Its single departure to HAFB hardly conforms to my work in an office where the schedule is somewhat less formalized.

It is true that on occasion a diligent observer may indeed sight this Marinite driving to and from work as the sole occupant of a "red

foreign car" attempting to project an "affluent image." However, he is far more likely to see everyone in my office who lives at HAFB riding with me. It is no great honor to be placed in the position of having to commute fifty miles a day, while more fortunate people have the option of walking to their places of duty here at PSF. My "affluent Marin image" is hardly worth the expense of simply getting to and from work by any means. But, I will concede that during periods of frequent TDY, there may indeed be only two or, Mike Christy forbid, one in the vehicle. For this I apologize to you, to Mike Christy, and to the Presidio in general.

Alas, I stand accused and convicted; a mere foolish pawn playing into the hands of unnamed Middle Eastern oil shieks. I shall become a true believer; a "re-born Marinite"; a clock puncher. But please, please, stop referring to me as "the red foreign car guy."

Lawrence M. Greenberg

Other ways to conserve

Dear Mike Christy,

There are two sides to your story on carpooling, page 2, Feb. 29.

Residents of Marin do not have to "project an affluent image." The image is already there, and has been for years.

Did it ever occur to you, that most Marin residents drive to and from work (some do ride the bus) because on weekends we ride bikes, hike the beautiful mountain trails, fish and play in the rivers and parks in Marin. We don't have to drive our cars two days out of the week.

If you made an honest survey, you would discover your carpooling and public transit users from other areas consume more gasoline on weekends to visit Marin in their campers and RV's, which would far exceed what Marin residents use during the week.

Believe it or not, we have our own individual way of conserving gasoline.

Mary Jane Stetson
28 year resident of Marin County

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Jefferson likes helping others

by Tom Tiernan

Sp4 Ronnie Jefferson is a nice guy who likes helping other people.

Last week he disproved that old saying, "Nice guys finish last," by being selected Presidio Soldier of the Month.

Jefferson, a personnel action specialist at COMPACT, spends his days helping officers with resignations, elimination actions, and processing warrant officer applications.

In his freetime, the Headquarters Company, USAG, soldier has spent many hours learning how to help others.

"I am a CPR instructor and an emergency medical technician," states Jefferson. He's become involved in these activities because, "I can help other people, it's interesting, plus I have a child to take care of."

The Fort Worth native is also a scuba diver. "I like it because it's a together sport. Scuba divers are really together people who hang tight and help each other," Jefferson explains.

"The beauty of the underwater world is undescrivable. It is just so beautiful and fantastic," Jefferson added. Company commander, Capt. Robert Arosteguy feels he's highly deserving of the honor. "I think the fact that he has only been here two months speaks highly of his duty section for recognizing him as a good soldier. . . He is striving to be the best and has the will and drive to be the best. He is definitely a model for other soldiers to follow."

Jefferson has plans to be a leader of soldiers during his Army career. "I would like to go to OCS in a couple of years," he states. "If I can't be an officer, then I'd like to be a sergeant major and winning this honor is just a stepping stone in that direction."

Although he has set some tough goals for himself in the Army, his plans for his personal life are just as tough. "I would like to go into nursing. . . Right now my immediate plan is to become EMT certified in the state of California," Jefferson declared.

Married to Sp4 Sharon Jefferson who works at SJA, the Soldier of the Month has a lot of confidence in himself. "I feel I'm an outstanding soldier."

Jefferson explains, "I have learned the ways to be a soldier. I attended the toughest NCO academy in Germany and perhaps in the Army and graduated thirteenth out of the class of 140. . . I just feel my abilities are beyond those of the average soldier."

Jefferson works hard at being a good soldier. He has completed several hundred credits of correspondence courses including the medical specialist course.

Besides believing in himself, Jefferson also believes in the Army. "If a soldier is facing reenlistment he should compare military life to the civilian world. If he is qualified to make it better in the outside then he should get out. If he can't do better, then he should stay in because the Army is a good place."

Like most soldiers, Jefferson does believe that there is room for improvement. "In some ways the promotion system is just lousy. I have had soldiers I trained promoted ahead of me. It just doesn't seem fair."

"Overall, I think that the old saying, 'The Army takes care of its own' is true and that's important."

With over 15 more years left in his career Sp4 Ronnie Jefferson can be expected to be one of those helping the Army take care of its own."



Soldier of the Month

Sp4 Ronnie Jefferson prepares a warrant officer application as part of his work load at COMPACT. The personnel actions specialist was recently selected as post Soldier of the Month. (Photo by Debbie Miller)

Mother selected post's top citizen

by Tom Tiernan

Mrs. Carol Wilde believes in being active in her home, her community and her church.

Not only is Wilde a mother, wife, secretary for the parent association for the John Swett School, a first counselor in the primary association of the Church of Latter Day Saints, a den mother for cub scouts, an ACS volunteer, she is also the Presidio Citizen of the Quarter.

The wife of Capt. Burt Wilde of Letterman Army Medical Center, Carol is the mother of four children ages 2 through ten. She believes that it is important that both parents are active in their children's activities in order to give them a sense of the "nuclear family."

"It is important for both parents to be involved. We go to many things as a family because we believe this is the only way to show our children the closeness of a family," Wilde explained.

Husband Burt is also active, according to his wife. "He has been a baseball coach and this year he served as a soccer coach for the first time."

Like father like son and like mother, like daughter certainly applies at the Wilde home where "Darren, our oldest son is into athletics and cub scouting, daughter Tricia is a Brownie and participates in gymnastics as does our daughter Kristen. Our other son Craig, well he's not quite old enough to be too active yet."

A part-time worker at the post preschool/ kindergarten, Wilde believes being active in community activities is especially important in the military.

"I feel that being active is more important in the military community," Wilde explains. When you move, you have to make new friends quickly and no matter how beautiful the new duty station, it can be very lonely without friends."

The Wildes will be putting that friend-making theory to work soon when they leave for a new assignment at Fort Sill, Okla.

"This is the second time we were supposed to leave," Wilde comments. In 1978 the family was packed up and on leave before orders came cancelling a PCS to Iran.

"We were already loading the furniture when we got the word that all orders to Iran were cancelled, but that didn't stop the loading. We went on leave and over Christmas we learned that my husband would be going alone since the children and my passports had been revoked.

"The day before he was supposed to leave we got word that his orders had been delayed and finally cancelled too," Wilde related.

No matter where in the world the military takes her and her family, Wilde firmly believes the need exists for parents to be active in the lives of their children.

"I firmly believe that the only way this nation can turn itself around is to return to a nuclear family concept and not a nation of child care. When you take children away from the extended family, the only way you can give them a sense of the nuclear family is to be involved," Wilde concluded.



Friendly smile

Mrs. Carol Wilde, the post Citizen of the Quarter, answers the telephone at the Army Community Service Center. Wilde is the wife of Capt. Burt Wilde of Letterman Army Medical Center. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Surcharge must be paid on TDY

People on TDY receiving per diem must pay the per diem surcharges when buying meals in Army dining facilities.

A recent investigation found that several active Army and reserve component personnel had made false statements when they failed to follow these procedures.

According to DA announcements, the officer or civilian signing the cash meal payment sheet in any Army dining facility must enter the per diem surcharge in the surcharge column. The person should then tell the head count of his TDY per diem

status and pay the meal rates listed below:

	Meal Charge	Per Diem Surcharge	Total Cost
Breakfast	\$.70	\$1.00	\$1.70
Lunch	1.40	2.00	3.40
Dinner	1.40	2.00	3.40
Dinner/Brunch	1.60	2.00	3.60
Holiday Meal	1.90	3.00	4.90
	2.05	3.05	5.10

Stop standing in those lines

Tired of standing in line at the bank on payday? If so you can have your check sent directly to your checking or savings account.

According to Maj. Harold Flynn, Presidio finance officer, taking a "check to bank" pay option has many advantages. Along with avoiding waiting in line, sending your check directly to a financial institution means a "guaranteed deposit" to your account.

When you sign up for a check to bank pay option, you name the financial institution you want the check sent to. This can be a bank, credit union or a savings and loan association.

The Army Finance Center makes up a list showing the soldiers with accounts at that institution who want to have their checks deposited directly. The list shows the amount of pay for deposit and each soldier's account is credited accordingly. One check is sent to cover the total deposit for all soldiers on the list.

There are many cases when the guaranteed deposit comes in handy," points out Flynn. "Take for an example the family and sponsor who are separated during a PCS move. The sponsor has to get his check, cash it, buy a money order, and then mail it to his wife. If they had a joint checking account and guaranteed deposit, all of this wouldn't be necessary."

Flynn went on to cite an example of the what would happen if the 504th MP Battalion was sent to Panama on an exercise. "There would be soldiers getting their pay checks in the field and having no place to cash them. The long delay between getting the checks cashed and in the mail could cause serious hardships on the soldier's family. And even though there are agencies to help with this problem, they still take time and then the soldier and his family have been put through a lot of strain unnecessarily."

The guaranteed deposit works even if the check is late, Flynn emphasized. Under normal circumstances, the financial institution immediately credits the accounts according to the list, he added.

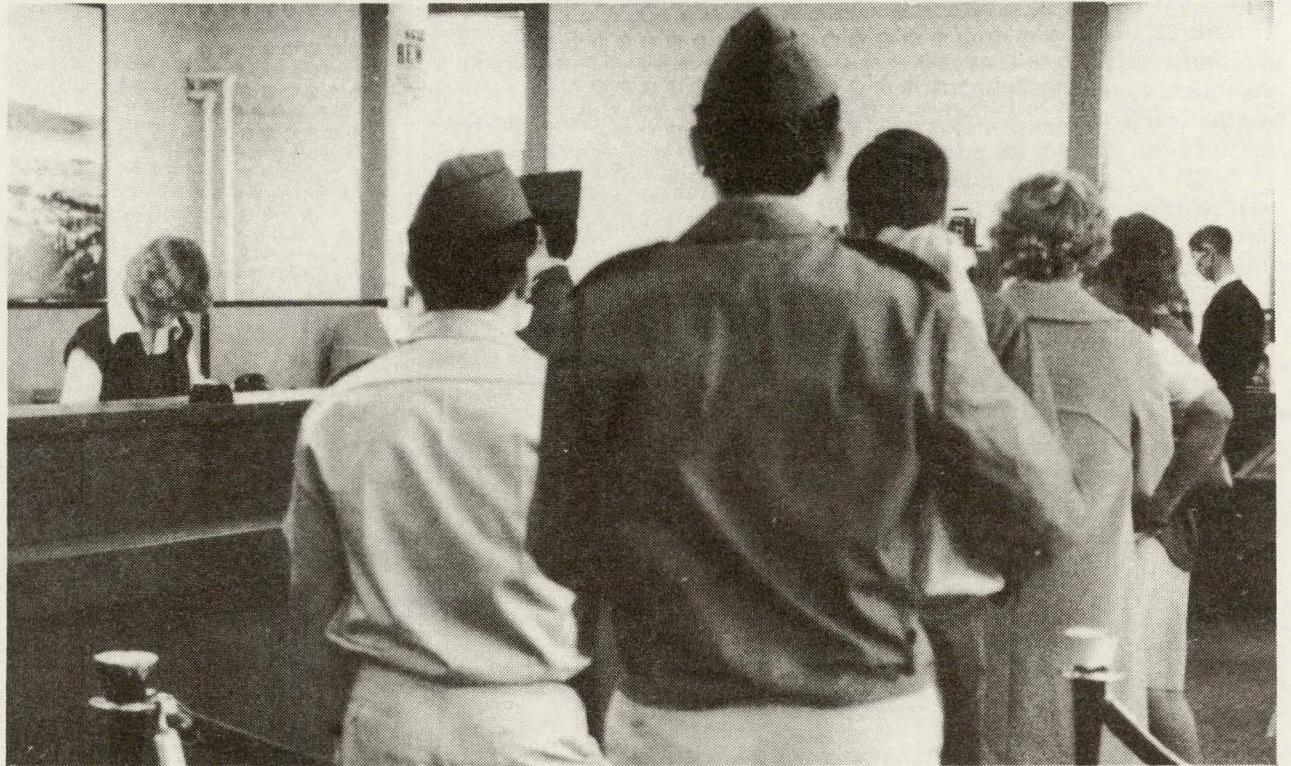
Many people think the check to bank option is only for people with checking accounts. If you don't have a checking account or have difficulty balancing a checkbook, you can have your check sent to a savings account or credit union. You won't avoid standing in line this way, but your pay will be credited to your account on payday and you'll draw interest.

By using the check to bank option, whether for savings or checking, your pay is available even when you are on leave or TDY and even when you

are on PCS. "This eliminates taking your finance records to another military installation to get paid," Flynn comments.

"In addition to having the cash ready, the check to bank option protects your pay against loss or theft. It also gives you a ready credit reference if you need a loan," Flynn added.

If you are tired of standing in line on payday, make your way over to the orderly room and get yourself signed up for the check to bank option.



Just waiting around

Several soldiers and civilians stand in line at the post bank to transact their business. Soldiers can avoid standing in line on pay

day by taking a "check to bank" pay option.

(Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Carry your credit with you

"We're sorry, your loan request has been denied. You don't have any credit references."

"But, I had good credit before I went overseas. What happened?"

Soldiers returning from overseas often have trouble getting credit because they don't have a credit history at their new station.

Joan and David were stationed at Fort Devens, Mass. before they went to Germany. They had established credit through a charge account, a loan and a mortgage while they were there. Then they PCS'd to Germany for three years.

Upon their return, they were assigned to the Presidio. Since their jalopy wasn't going to make it through another year, they decided to buy a new car. That's when they found they had no credit history.

What they didn't realize they could have 'carried' their credit rating with them. The credit history from the Fort Devens area can be transferred to the San Francisco area.

To do this, they must contact the Consumer Relations Department of the credit bureau that services the old location.

A credit bureau is a company that gathers and sells credit information about consumers. When a creditor asks a credit bureau for a report, the bureau sends the creditor whatever information it has on file about you.

Credit bureaus can be found in the yellow pages under "credit" or "credit rating and reporting agencies." At their request, Joan and David's credit history would be transferred to the credit bureau servicing the Presidio. A small fee might be charged for this service.

But suppose you had no credit rating before you went overseas. In this case, you'd have to establish credit by giving the Consumer Relations Department of your local credit bureau the following information:

- name and social security number
- prior address in the U.S.

- new address and phone number
- previous bank accounts and any credit transactions.

You can also use letters from overseas establishments such as the PX, clubs, military banks or credit unions to establish credit. These letters should be on official letterhead paper, if possible. They should include information on the type of transaction, when it took place, when it was completed and a rating such as excellent, good or bad.

It is possible to establish and maintain a good credit history while you're overseas by making mail order purchases and keeping a stateside bank account.

If you are refused credit, talk to the Consumer Relations Department of the local credit bureau to make sure the information in their file is accurate.

Don't be denied credit simply because you're new to a location. Carry your credit rating with you.

Court-martial

Fraudulent enlistments are no way out of trouble for soldiers

Soldiers hoping to escape trial by court-martial for a military offense just because their enlistment was fraudulent may no longer be able to do so.

For the first time in more than a decade, according to Army legal officials, congress has made substantive changes to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). The biggest change is to Article 2, which defines who is subject to the UCMJ.

The change to Article 2 remedies situations where a soldier was either intentionally enlisted fraudulently by a recruiter or enlisted fraudulently without the knowledge of the recruiter.

An enlistment is now considered valid for court-martial jurisdiction if the soldier has "the capacity to understand the significance of enlistment in the Armed Forces" and had voluntarily enlisted. The change was intended to overcome the effects of the 1974 "Russo" decision of the U. S. Court of Military Appeals, according to the officials.

In the Russo case, the court of military appeals set aside Russo's conviction on the basis that he was not subject to military jurisdiction because he had been fraudulently enlisted.

Russo suffered from dyslexia, a condition which affects a person's ability to read. Although

the recruiter knew of Russo's condition, he provided Russo with the answers to the Armed Forces qualification test, enabling him to enlist.

Additionally, where the initial enlistment was defective, the change sets four conditions which must be met for court-martial jurisdiction. The soldier must have:

- voluntarily submitted to military authority
- met mental competency and minimum age at the time of voluntary submission to military authority
- performed military duties
- received military pay or allowances.

Election law protect employees

(Editor's Note: The following information was compiled from the Armed Service Press Service.)

As the presidential sweepstakes warms up many DA civilians are wondering to what extent they can become involved in the campaign.

The "Hatch Act" a group of laws passed in 1939 and 40 protects Federal employees from efforts to force them to render political service or undue influence but also places limitations on their activities.

The idea of separating Federal employees and election activities goes back to President George Washington who set high standards for the men he nominated to public office, and when Thomas Jefferson took over the nation's highest office he issued the first Executive order against political activity on the part of Federal employees.

Jefferson felt that when a civil servant was identified with a political party through active participation in its affairs this might compromise that employee's impartiality in the eyes of the public and of the opposing party.

Under the current laws, the "Hatch Act" does not apply to soldiers or their dependents unless they are Federal employees, DA civilians are free to engage in political activities to the widest extent possible.

Activities allowed

A Federal employee may:

- Register and vote in any election,
- Express an opinion as a private individual on political subjects and candidates,
- Display a political picture, sticker, badge, or button,
- Participate in the nonpartisan activities of a civic, community, social, labor, professional, or similar organization,
- Be a member of a political party or other political organization and participate in its activities to an extent consistent with the law,
- Attend a political convention, rally, fund-raising function or other political gathering,
- Sign a political petition as an individual,
- Petition Congress or any member of that body by writing to him to give an opinion as to how he should vote on a particular issue,
- Make a financial contribution to a political party or organization,
- Take an active part as an independent candidate, or in support of an independent candidate in a partisan election.

A Federal employee may also take an active part as a candidate or in support of a candidate in a nonpartisan election,

- Be politically active in connection with a question which is not specifically identified with a political party such as a constitutional amendment, a referendum, or the approval of a municipal ordinance.
- Serve as an election judge, clerk or in a similar position to perform non-partisan duties as prescribed by state or local laws.
- Otherwise participate fully in public affairs, except where prohibited by law, in a manner which does not compromise the employee efficiency or integrity or the neutrality of the employing agency.

Can't wear uniform

The law prohibits participation in political activities by anyone wearing a uniform which identifies them as an employee of the government.

The law allows heads of agencies to prohibit participation by any employee or groups of employees if such activity would interfere with the efficient performance of official duties, create a conflict or give the appearance of a conflict of interest.

The law also prohibits federal employees from doing many things related to political activities.

No interference

A federal employee may not use his official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with or changing the results of an election.

Taking an active part in the political management or in a political campaign of a partisan nature is also a no-no for government employees.

Government employees also may not:

- Serve as an officer of a political party or as a member of a national state or local committee of a political party or serve as an officer or member of a committee of a partisan political club or be a candidate for any of these positions,
- Organize or reorganize a political party organization of a political club,
- Directly or indirectly solicit, receive, collect, handle, disburse or account for the assets, contributions or other funds for a partisan political purpose,
- Take an active part in managing the political campaign of the partisan candidate for public office or a political party office,
- Solicit votes in support of, or in opposition to, a partisan candidate for public office or political party office.
- Act as a recorder, watcher, challenger or similar office at polls on behalf of a political party or partisan candidate,
- Drive voters to the polls on behalf of a political party or party candidate,

No endorsement

- Endorse or oppose a partisan candidate for public office or political party office in a advertisement, a broadcast, in campaign literature or similar materials,

- Serve as a delegate, alternate or proxy to a political party convention

- Address a convention, caucus, rally, or similar gathering of a political party in support of, or in opposition to, a partisan candidate for public office or a political party office,

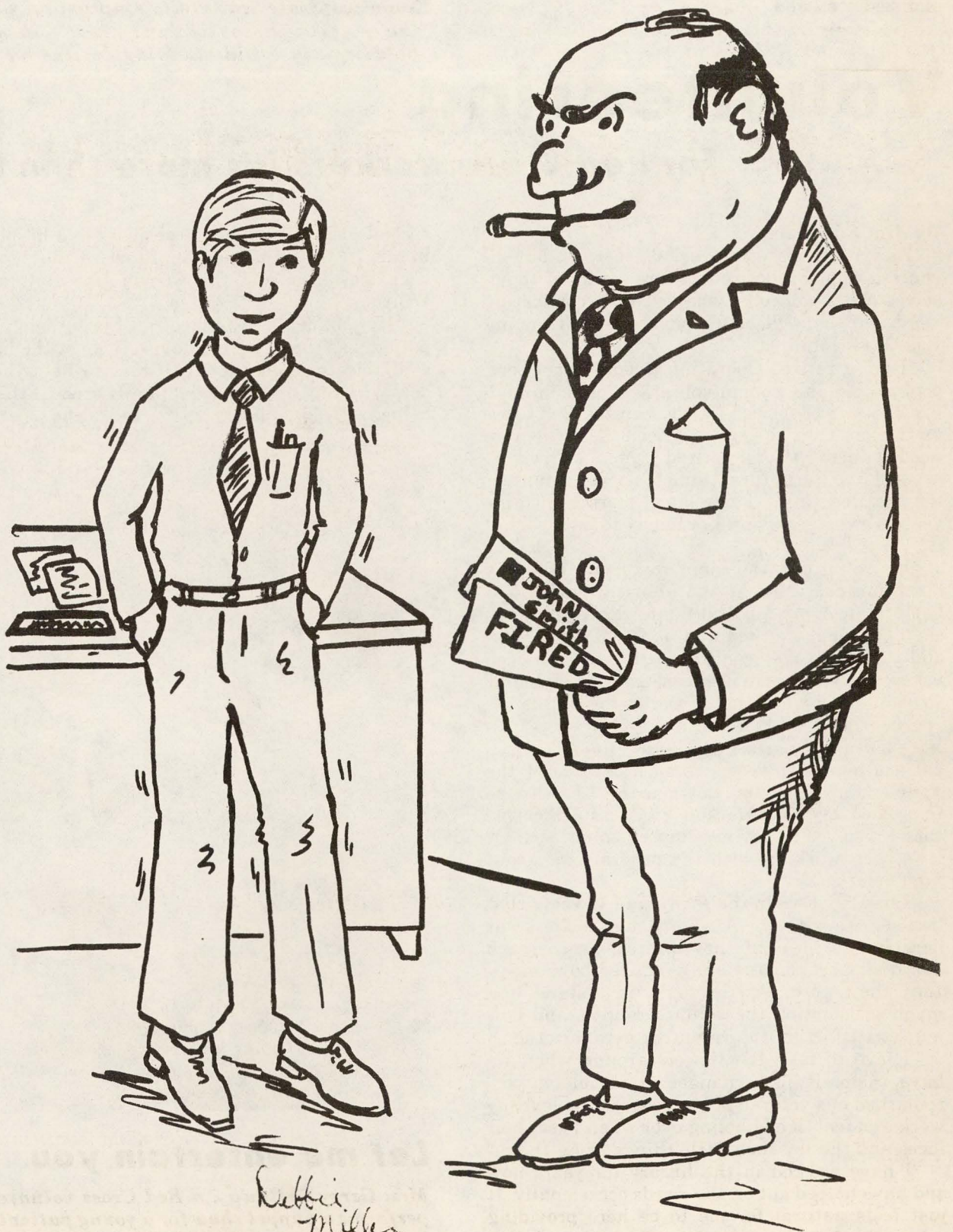
- Initiate or circulate a partisan nominating petition.

Exceptions granted

The law does grant certain exceptions to those areas prohibited. Those activities not allowed by law are allowed when:

- They are in nonpartisan elections,
- That participation in politics shall be as an independent candidate or on behalf of or in opposition to an independent candidate.
- Candidacy for and service in an elective office shall not result in neglect or interference with the performance of the duties of the employee or create a conflict or apparent conflict of interest.

The "Hatch Act" is designed to help protect both the employee and the government from charges of conflict in interest. If you are planning to participate in the upcoming presidential campaign, make sure you understand the law.



Time to spare

(Editor's Note: This week we introduce 'Time to Spare,' a new column designed to provide you with information about activities around post and the San Francisco-Bay area. This column replaces 'Off Post.' As the column grows we'll be including concert information, and an occasional travel feature on places throughout the area.)

"Under the Gaslight," a melodrama by Augustin Daly, opens tonight at the School of Creative Arts' Little Theatre on the San Francisco State University campus at 8 p.m.

The play will run Mar. 15, 20, 21, and 22 at 8 p.m. with a matinee performance on Mar. 23 at 2 p.m.

The production includes all the ingredients for a good melodrama, a damsel-in-distress, railroad tracks, a villain, and of course, a hero.

Tickets are available through the Creative Arts box office at 1600 Holloway Ave., which is open weekdays from noon till 4 p.m. Ticket prices are \$3.50 and \$3.00 general admission, \$1.75 and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens.

The Artist's Guild of San Francisco will present an Art show at the Hoover Redwood Grove in Golden Gate Park tomorrow beginning at 10 a.m. The grove is located near 19th Avenue and Lincoln Way.

Two concerts are scheduled for Golden Gate Park on Sunday. Both begin at 1 p.m. but no band has been announced. Marx Meadow and the Band Concourse are the locations.

Cliff Perotti, and two female backup vocalists and an eight piece band will perform at Union Square Mar. 22 from noon to 1:30 p.m.

The San Francisco State University Symphony Orchestra will present a concert Mar. 23 in McKenna Theatre at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$3 general admission and \$1.50 for students and senior citizen.



Togetherhness

Tamara Zook as Laura and Loren Nordlund as Ray Trafford rehearse a scene from San Francisco State University's upcoming pro-

duction of "Under the Gaslight." The play opens tonight at 8 p.m. on the SFSU campus. (Photo courtesy of SFSU)

Volunteering

For Red Cross workers it's more than handing out flowers

By Jim Edwards

They participate for various reasons, but all share a common desire to share a part of themselves with someone who needs a comforting word and some cheerful conversation. They are Red Cross volunteers.

"I am a retired Operating Room Supervisor," commented one woman volunteer, "and through my 25 years of service I have seen the Red Cross on the job. They have always been there when we needed them. After I retired from the Army, it seemed like the natural thing to do was volunteer for the Red Cross. I now have more than nine years service here and I'm happy to be a part of it."

One volunteer who commutes from Daly City for volunteer work at the information desk at Letterman Army Medical Center loves the work she does. "I've worked at this for about a year, and it has always been interesting. I have been asked everything from 'Please babysit my child' to 'would you watch my groceries for awhile.'"

Sometimes contact with the Red Cross can have a dramatic affect on people's lives. "I was a patient here last year," commented one of the male volunteers at Letterman, "I was so impressed by the care and kindness I received that I resolved to pay my dues by volunteering." He's been working with the program for about nine months.

"I had 21 years in the Army, and 13 years civilian service with the Air Force, and while I was here in the hospital they offered me so much moral support that I finally realized how important they were. People don't understand how much satisfaction the volunteers give, and how much satisfaction the volunteer gets in return."

"I love to take the flowers around when we have them. It just changes my whole mood," remarked one veteran of the program. "I love my work and feel like bubbling over when I see their faces and the joy such little things bring them."

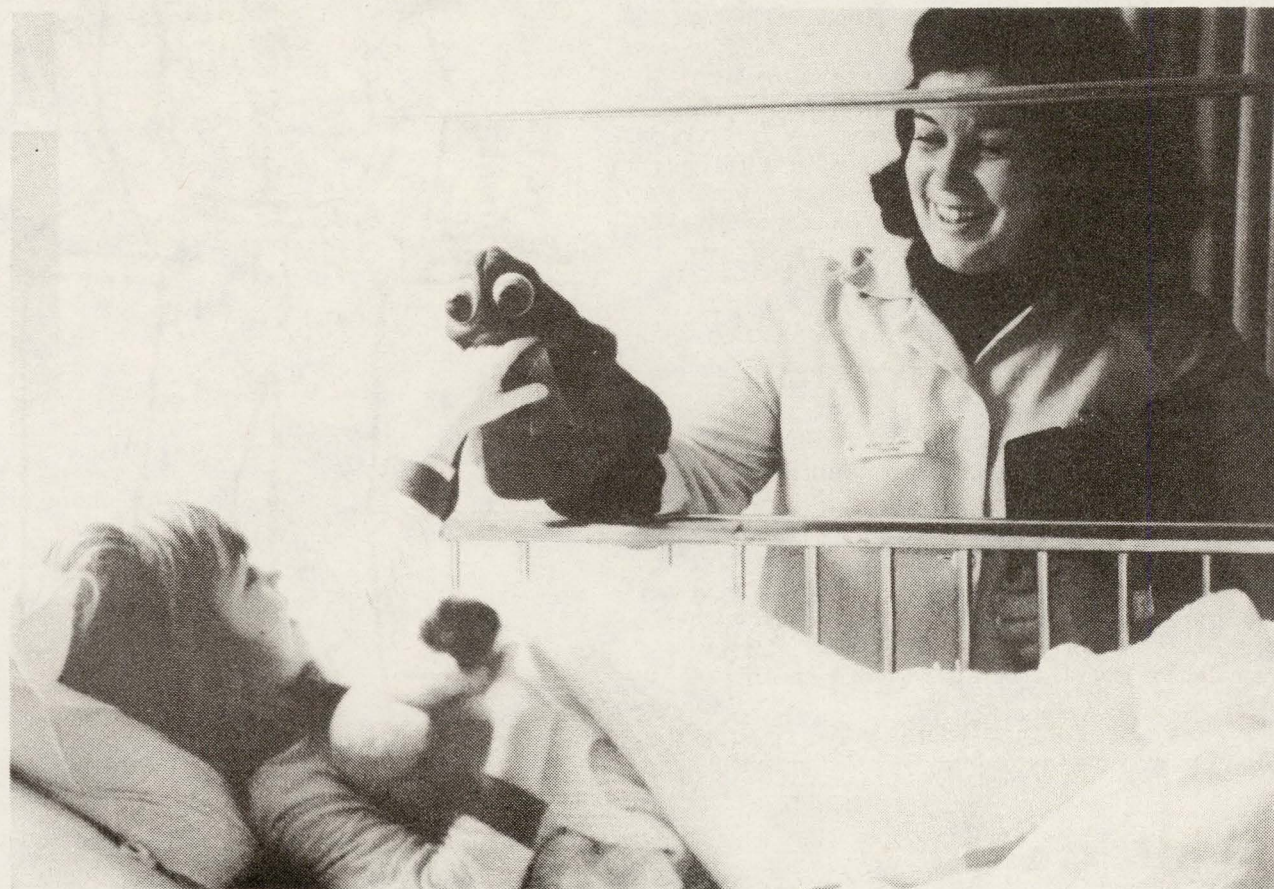
"I have worked in the library for years now and have helped out on the wards occasionally. It just feels natural for me to be here providing recreational books, records and company." Any

special insight from all those years in a hospital library? "Well, the men tend toward the paperback westerns, and the women like Holt and Whitney."

"My job has been to meet all the seriously ill patients as they arrive. I advise them of the help available through the Red Cross to help them deal with any problems and family crisis. I think being retired military gives me some special

insight into this counseling. A lot of retired military could do so much for these patients if they would try to volunteer their time."

There is more to being a Red Cross volunteer than just the simple, superficial tasks. And even though they are more than just flowers and a handshake, there's always plenty of that to go around too.



Let me entertain you

Mrs. Gerry Callaway, a Red Cross volunteer, performs a puppet show for a young patient at Letterman Army Medical Center. Volunteers

supply good cheer and encouragement to patients on every ward. (Photo by Jim Edwards)

Sports

Presidians trounced in FORSCOM basketball tourney

The Presidio's Men's and Women's Basketball teams traveled to Fort Lewis, Wash. last week for the 1980 FORSCOM Basketball Tournament, and came back with fifth and seventh place finishes respectively. There were twelve teams participating in the tournament.

The men's team surprised everyone, winning its first two outings against Fort Sam Houston, Tex. 83-78 and Hawaii 108-107 in overtime.

The men's winning streak came to a sudden halt when the eventual FORSCOM Champs, Fort Hood, stampeded for a 128-88 win.

Fatigue played a major factor in the Presidio

loss. After playing all out in their previous two games, which included the overtime game against Hawaii, taking on Fort Hood the next morning, proved to be more than the body could handle. Once Hood got its running game in gear, it was unstoppable against the worn out Presidio warriors.

In their final game, against Fort Carson, the Presidio played a good game, with only one problem, the ball didn't want to drop, which eventually resulted in a 93-76 loss and a fifth place finish.

As expected, **Jeff Leftwich** and **Mike Allen**

proved to be the firepower for the Presidio with both players averaging about 26 points per game.

The women's team started out in the loser's column by dropping a close one to Ord 37-32. The team bounced back to defeat Alaska 30-25, but lost to a much taller Hawaii team 42-30.

Although the team was small in comparison to the other teams, it didn't lack in hustle and determination, which kept them close in every game they played.

Outstanding performances throughout the tournament for the Presidio came from **Marilyn Johnson** and **Josephine McClain**.

Aquarians bring home the swimming ribbons

The Presidio Aquarius Swim Club brought home 28 more ribbons last weekend after competing in the North Bay Aquatic Winter Championships at Santa Rosa Junior College.

Six teams with a total of 287 swimmers, including the 32 Aquarians, competed for ribbons for first through 16th place.

Aquarian winners included: **Nick Russo**, **Lisa Bell**, **Rebecca Askew**, **Blanca Castillo**, **Polly**

Slisz, **Robin Wicks**, **Mark Russo**, **Billy Rainaldo**, **Victor Castillo**, **Corey Easer**, and **Paul Haas**.

The Girls 400 Relay of **Humphrey**, **Wicks**, **Bell** and **Russo** also came in sixth.

In the 11-12 year old bracket, the girls 400 yard individual medley relay team of **Slisz**, **Castillo**, **Langeliers**, and **Wicks** finished in fifth place while the 400 yard Free Relay team of

Russo, **Castillo**, **Slisz**, and **Rainaldo** finished in sixth place.

In the Senior division the Men's 400 yard Individual Medley Relay team of **Castillo**, **Haas**, **Smith** and **Easer** finished a strong second while the mixed 400 yard Free medley team of **Hibbs**, **Easer**, **Castillo** and **Neely** ended up in sixth place.

V-ball season underway

Volleyball intramurals got underway with LAIR No. 1 defeating LAMC No. 1 in the first series of games 15-4, 15-7, 15-6 and 15-2. LAIR's **Lon Peterson**, continuing where he left off last year, provided much of the team's fire power and leadership.

In the second series of games, LAMC No. 2 proved to be more than the Public Health Service team could handle winning 15-8, 15-5, 15-1, and 15-8. LAMC No. 2's **Pae Pae Mike**, an All-Army Volleyball player from last year, should definitely hold her own against the men.

If the first win of the season indicates how well a team will finish, LAIR No. 1 and LAMC No. 2 should be main contenders.

Dance class set

A vigorous exercise class in dancing is scheduled to begin on Mar. 25 at Post Gym No. 1.

The class is open to women and men. No dance experience is necessary. The cost for 12 hours of lessons is \$45 per person. **Jacquie Jordan** will be the instructor. She has had extensive dance teaching experience over the last ten years. A minimum of ten people, maximum of 15, is needed to start a class. Class schedule is as follows:

Tuesday and Thursday, 9 to 11 a.m.
Thursday 7-9 p.m.

Sign-up will be held at Post Gym No. 1, until Mar. 24.

Tennis for tots scheduled

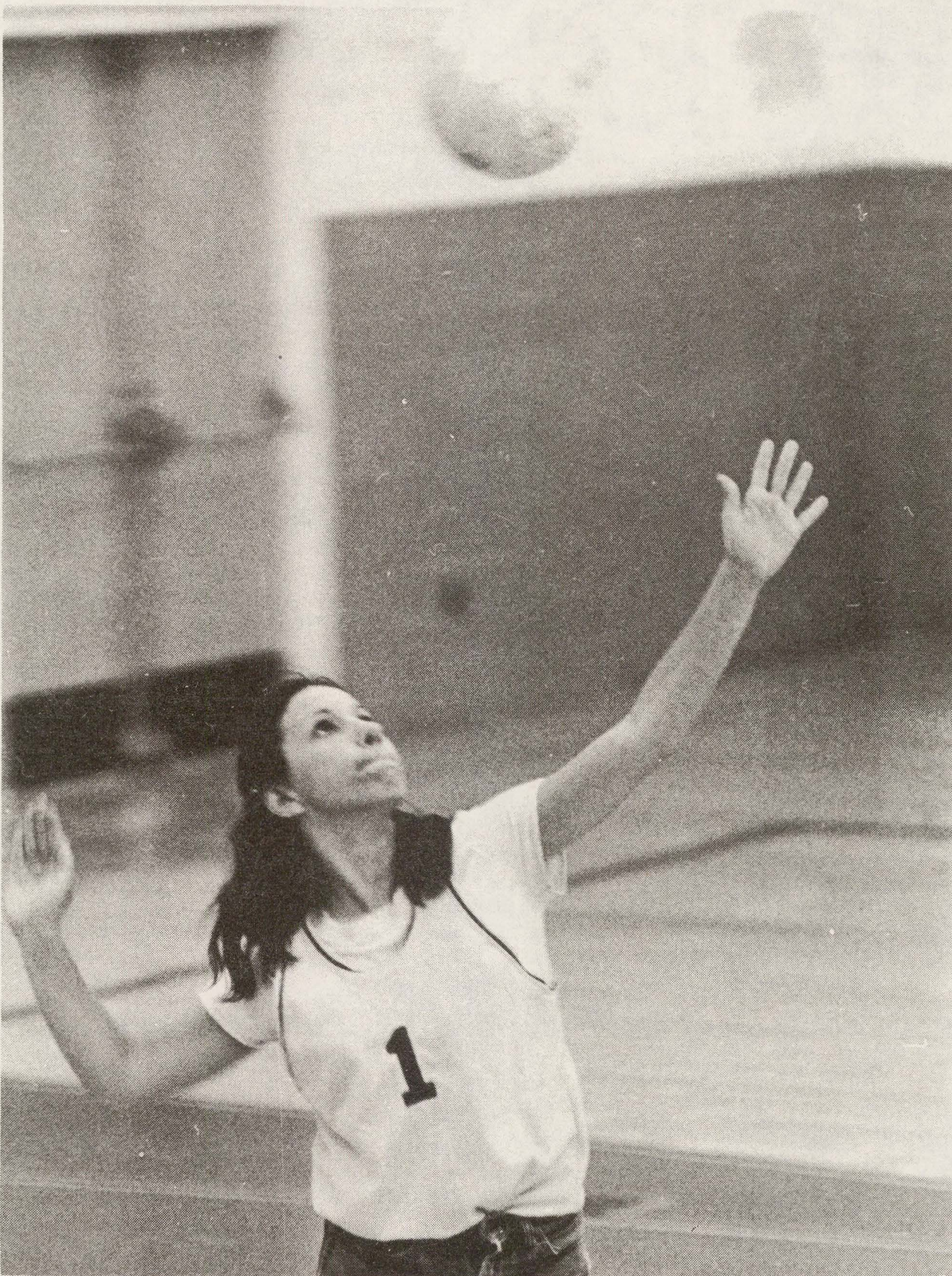
The Presidio Tennis Club will hold a tennis Funday on March 22.

The Funday will feature mixed doubles in round robin competition. All proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten.

For further information on the tennis tournament please call **Dee Houck** at 561-3515.

Gym to close

Post Gym No. 1, will be closed Mar. 16 because of a scheduled power outage.



The serve

A member of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Division's volleyball team

serves the ball during practice. (Photo by **Karl Gaffney**)

Presidio News Notes

Tryouts set

Tryouts for the Presidio Playhouse forth coming production of "Mame" will be held Mar. 22 and 23 at the Playhouse.

Those wishing to audition should call 561-3992 for a specific audition time on one of the above dates. Just remember—if you sing in the shower, you can sing in a musical! And—if you can march, you can dance!

The part of Mame is pre-cast with Ann Homrig-hausen, who has appeared in numerous Playhouse productions. All other 40-56 parts are

open, including Patrick, age 10, several non-singing "mature age" parts, 15 principal parts, and large singing and dancing ensemble parts. "Mame" will be in rehearsal during April and May, and will be presented for 15 performances in June at the Playhouse.

Briefing planned

All soldiers on orders for overseas assignments are reminded that the next **mandatory overseas orientation** will be conducted Mar.20 at 1 p.m. in LAMC's Torney Hall.

Class scheduled

If you are interested in preparation leading to supervisory rank or if you are employed as a supervisor, then a certificate program with City College of San Francisco in Supervisory Practices might be for you.

The program consists of seven courses, one to be offered every 15 weeks at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216.

The first course "Introduction to Supervisory Practice" will start April 7 and run each Monday and Wednesday through May 28 from 6:30—8:30 p.m.

There is no tuition for California residents or active duty military and dependents who are not residents but have been in the state less than one year.

For military personnel who are not residents but have been in the state more than one year the tuition is \$98. Active duty military who wish to apply for 75 percent tuition assistance must do so at least four working days before the class begins.

The class is open to active duty and retired military, dependents and civilians. For further information or to enroll, call a college counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974/4445 or the Letterman Education Center, 561-4030/3693.

Bazaar for tots

The Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten will hold a second annual bazaar and auction on Mar. 29, from noon to 4 p.m. at Harmon Hall.

The day's activities will start with a 5 mile run through the Presidio, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Harmon Hall. Registration will be held at 9:00 a.m. and there is a \$3 fee.

The bazaar will feature the sale of baked goods, handicraft items, food and beverages. There will be a puppet show and other special activities for the children.

Auction items will include: a \$100 airline ticket; \$145 **Arthur Murray** dance lessons and four passes to Great America to name a few.

Tickets available

Marriott's Great America discount tickets are now available for adults and children for the 1980 season for \$8, a saving of \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

Grandstand guest passes for quarter horse racing at Bay Meadows for the season ending May 11, can be picked up, without cost, during business hours at the Rec Center.

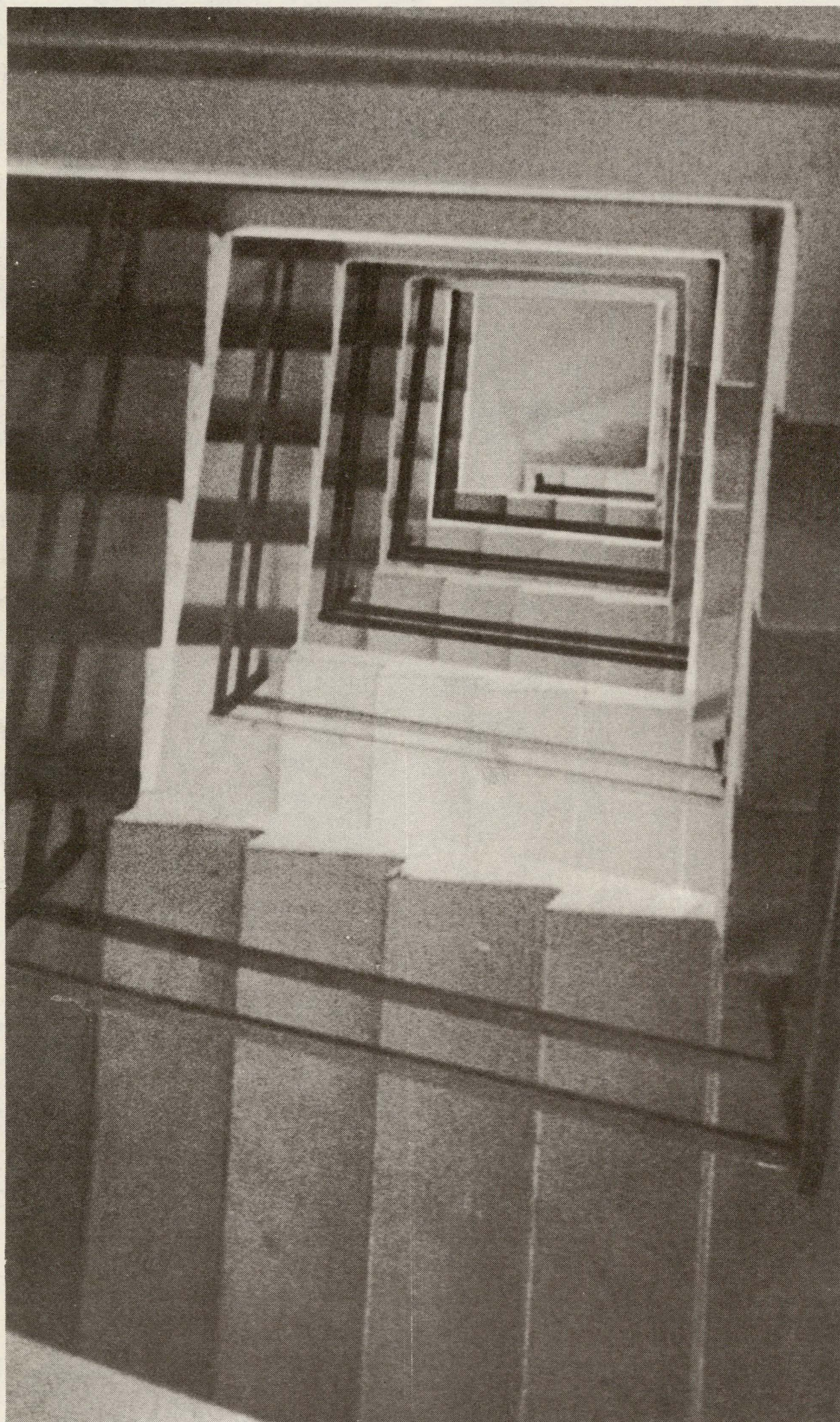
The Recreation Center staff invites you to visit the "new center" now located in Bldg. 1331 (Ye Old Package Beverage Store). Classes, programs and schedule will continue as usual throughout the period of adjustment. For additional information about items and other Recreation Center activities, please call daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and discounts distributed daily after 4 p.m.

Movies

Mar. 15—Cartoon with 101 Dalmations (G)
Mar. 16—Halloween (R)
Mar. 17—Halloween (R)
Mar. 18—Rocky II (PG)
Mar. 19—Rocky II (PG)
Mar. 20—The In-Laws (PG)
Mar. 21—Scavenger Hunt (PG)

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 17—Star Crash (PG)
Mar. 18—Apocalypse Now (R)
Mar. 19—Bruce Lee Fights Back From The Grave (R)
Mar. 20—The Main Event (PG)
Mar. 21—Yanks (R)



Where does it end?

This week's Photo of the Week comes from SSgt. James Edwards who took this photo of the steps in the Letterman Army Medical Center. The Star Presidian is looking for photos from post photographers to be recog-

nized for this honor. If you have a picture you think should appear here drop it by the newsroom in building 37 before noon on Tuesday.

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President orders hiring freeze

The federal hiring freeze announced by President Carter last week will affect all facets of the government including the Department of the Army and the Presidio, according to Alex Reyes, civilian personnel officer.

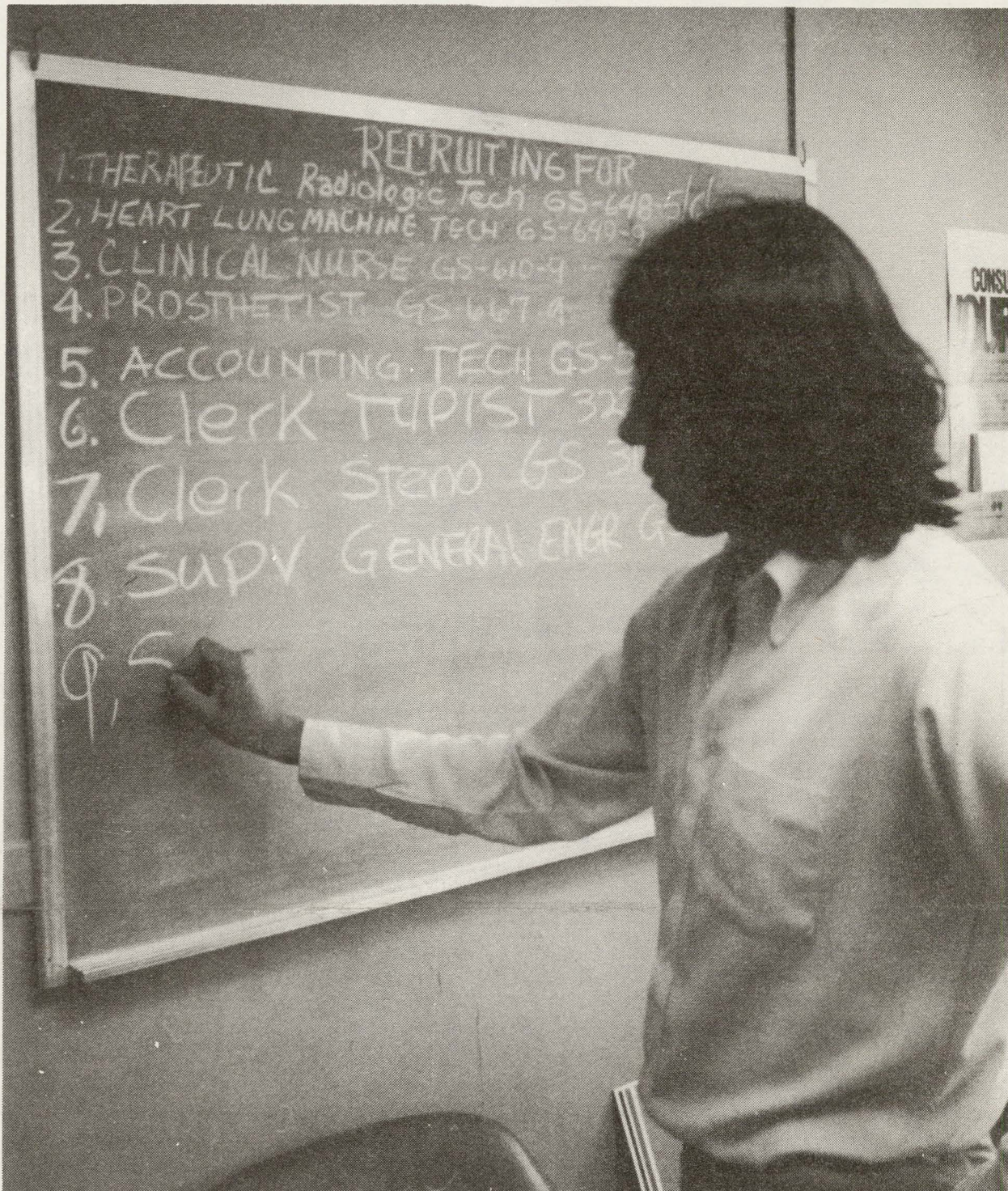
"At the present time, there is a memorandum on the desk of the Secretary of Defense detailing the freeze as it applies to the Department of Defense," says Reyes. "The memo says that the department will impose a one hire out of two vacancy freeze, retroactive to February 29. This freeze only relates to hiring persons from outside DoD sources. In-house promotions and transfers will not be affected."

Reyes indicates that the logistics of the policy are complicated by the retroactive nature of the memo. "We now have to go back through three weeks of personnel actions to determine specifically how this action will affect the Presidio community," continued Reyes.

Since the freeze was first rumored throughout the government several weeks ago, there had been quite a bit of "raiding" between government agencies, according to Reyes. "Most agencies wanted to get all of their authorized positions filled before any announcement was made. People were hiring on the basis of record reviews rather than interviews," Reyes added. "Most supervisors would prefer to interview prospective applicants but interviews are not required."

While all the specific details of the freeze will not be known until the Secretary of Defense memo is filtered through proper channels, Reyes says that the Civilian Personnel Office will continue with business as usual to fill critical vacancies. "Historically, the Presidio has a high turnover rate among its civilian personnel," states Reyes. "We constantly have anywhere from 30 to 40 vacancies at any given time. Right now, we are operating at a better than 98 percent rate of fill. The primary reason for the less than two percent vacancy rate is that there are certain technical jobs that are hard to fill."

Other federal agencies still do not have definitive information on which to implement their own hiring freeze. "The speculation was that Defense was going to be treated less harshly than the balance of the government. This one for two freeze does give us some flexibility for the future," concluded Reyes. "We will explain some of the more intricate details of the new administration policies as soon as we have had an opportunity to analyze the guidance from Department of the Army and Forces Command."



Job menu?

Edgar Lister, a personnel staffing clerk with the Presidio Civilian Personnel Office, posts current job openings available on the post. At any given time, the Presidio has from 30 to 40 vacancies in its civilian workforce. The

recently imposed hiring freeze will limit the number of new employees hired from other than Department of Defense agencies but does not affect in-house promotions or transfers. (Photo by Bob Mahoney)

False alarms, other calls on rise

If you think you've been hearing a lot of sirens lately you are right. According to Capt. Britton Smith, of the Presidio Fire Department, has experienced a 50 percent increase in the number of calls they receive.

"Most of the calls we've received in the last week have involved medical assistance," explains Smith. "There have been several heart attack victims, several accidents in the home and at

work in addition to three fires."

All of the department's firemen are trained emergency medical technicians, says Smith, in addition to fire fighting.

In addition to an increase in the number of medical calls, false alarms are also on the rise, comments Smith.

"Most of the increase in both medical calls and false alarms can be credited to the good weather.

With the warm days we've been having more people out enjoying themselves. Among the people are kids who like to pull false alarms," Smith added.

The fire department is ready to assist the people in the Presidio community," concludes Smith, "but we can't do it if we are out on a false alarm. All we ask is that parents teach their children the consequences of their action."

Apathy kills Mexican celebration

There will be no Cinco De Mayo celebration on the Presidio this year, according to 1st Lt. Ronald Seikel, equal opportunity staff officer.

According to Seikel, only three volunteers showed up for a meeting held in late February to discuss plans for the celebration.

During the meeting, feedback from last year's after action report was discussed. A recommendation was then made that due to

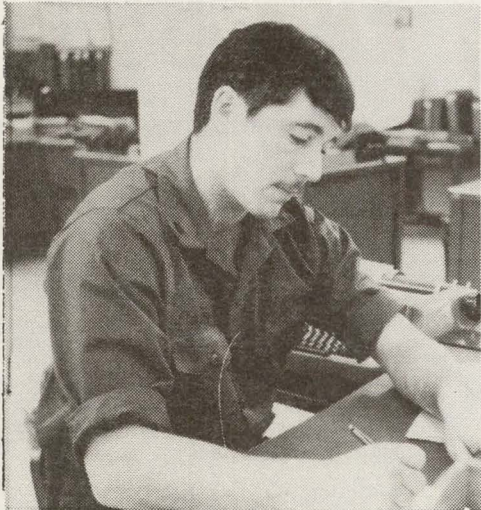
a lack of interest, the funds and efforts which would have been spent on the Cinco De Mayo celebration should be used for National Hispanic Heritage Week.

To support the conclusion that there was little interest in holding the celebration, Seikel cited the fact that announcements of the meeting began three weeks in advance.

"If we are going to have meaningful celebrations of ethnic events, we need help from every interested Presidian," Seikel concluded.

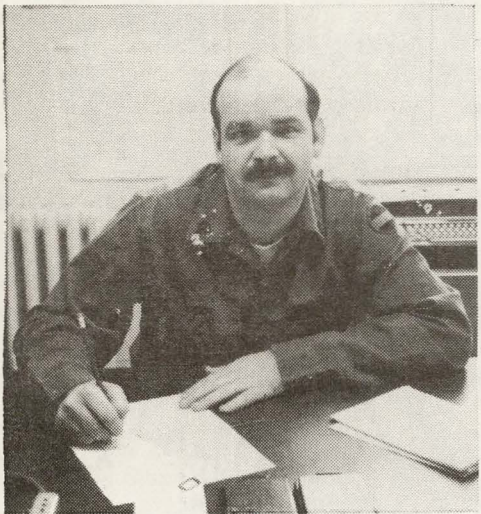
Ramblin' Sam

What can be done to improve the Pershing housing area?



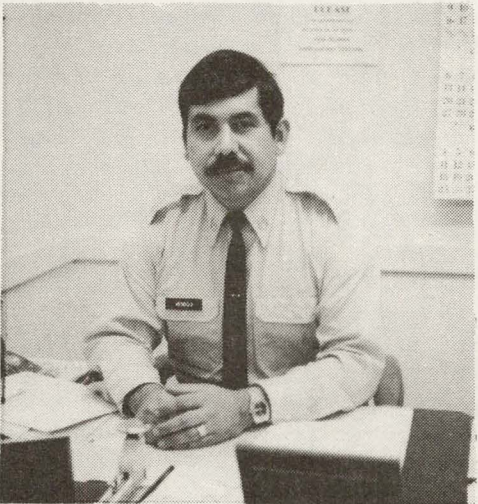
SP4 Frank Woodward, Compact—"I generally pick up garbage around my area, to include unnecessary broken glass by children near by. Dumpsters in my area should be provided with lids to prevent garbage from being scattered by the wind and animals. Also parents should supervise their children more strictly to prevent mischievous pranks."

SP4 Margie Inscor, SID-PERS—"My personal involvement in the Pershing Housing area's general clean-up doesn't show or is more less hidden because of the fact that there are very few personally concerned individuals to group it as a community project in this most needed area."



SP5 Glenn Kerr, Finance—"I believe it is the responsibility of all housing occupants to pull their share, but no matter what my area supervisor does, certain people lack pride in keeping their area clean. Pershing is not a ghetto in my area, although a few occupants could care less. We need more pressure applied from post housing."

SSgt. Armando Mendoza, DIO—"I truthfully believe that cleaning up the Pershing area will require a consolidated effort between everyone living in the area and the engineers. People shouldn't wait for their neighbor to make the first move."



SP5 Jeanette Jones, Adjutant—"I do my share of the clean-up. In fact, the housing area should have a spring clean-up day as a community project. People make the ghetto, if they would make the effort to beautify the area, it wouldn't be called a ghetto."

Reader Opinion

Comments on Pershing

Dear Editor,

As a former resident of the Pershing housing area, I must take exception to some of the points made by Ms. Rose in her letter to the Star Presidian of March 7, 1980.

True, the Pershing area is not the cleanest or most attractive housing area on post, but it was not the residents of that area who decided to put more people there per square foot than in any of the other family housing areas on the Presidio.

She speaks of lawns. We did not have a lawn. We had a parking lot, one completely fenced-off, sandy plot of ground, and one partially fenced-off ice plant field that had a vertical drop of over ten feet. And we were fortunate; most people have nothing but sidewalk to separate them from their neighbors.

She speaks of dogs running free. With no individual yards, dogs must either roam free or be confined to overcrowded apartments.

Ms. Rose does not mention the apartments. Only those few who are fortunate enough to have been assigned to apartments larger than authorized have enough living room and storage space. Also not mentioned are the playgrounds. Playgrounds in other housing areas are grassy, those in the Pershing area are sandy and rock-filled.

Obviously it is too late to do much about the questionable design of the Pershing area. Perhaps the answer is to rent out these oh-so desirable apartments to those willing to pay \$500 a month, which Ms. Rose says they are worth, and give the money to those who live there now to acquire other housing. But whatever the answer, the question Ms. Rose poses about wanting a ghetto on the Presidio should be

addressed to the Department of the Army architects, not to Pershing residents.

Patrice Rasche

Dear Editor,

I'm one of the people who realize how much I'd be paying if living on the economy.

I sweep, mop and pick up outside all the time, because I feel the outside of one's home is as important as the inside.

Your article states how I feel also, and I was glad to see it brought up.

I hope more people than just I took notice.

Sp6 Sandra Chapman-Rogers

I received another reply to the letter from Ms. Lesley Rose on the Pershing Housing Area. Unfortunately the individual did not sign the letter and I am unable to run it.

The individual who wrote currently lives in the Pershing area and believes that the residents there do take pride in the area, but are hampered in their attempts to fix it up.

The writer cited a lack of equipment, money, and know-how as plaguing attempts to improve the area's image. He feels that a major landscaping job would be necessary in order to give it the same appearance as the others on post.

This resident also feels that the architectural design of the area does not fit into the overall design of the post and that the buildings could stand a good coat of paint.

In concluding his letter, the writer suggested that each housing block could meet and organize their own landscaping project.

If the individual had signed his name and requested that it be withheld, then we could have printed his letter.

The Editor

Put up or shut up

In this week's issue we carry a story about the Cinco De Mayo celebration being cancelled due to a lack of interest.

Each year the Army spends thousands of dollars to observe certain ethnic events. Unfortunately attendance is often poor and the events criticized for not having one thing or the other.

Those who criticize are often the ones who never show up for planning meetings, don't bother to volunteer to help, and would proba-

bly complain no matter what type of activities were held.

This apathetic attitude has killed one event this year and now threatens others.

These events bring a bit of another culture into our daily lives, and help us better appreciate the ethnic backgrounds of our fellow workers. If they fail then we will be missing a part of our American heritage, and a valuable avenue toward better understanding.

The Editor

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Matt's dream came true



Glen "Matt" Mathison

by Tom Tiernan

"Matt" Mathison always dreamed that the Presidio Bowling Center would generate \$2000 in one weekend.

Last week the bowling center turned in \$1,976, just \$24 short of Mathison's goal. But the former Army officer wasn't there to see it. He died suddenly on Friday.

"It is like a miracle," says Capt. Mark Hromalik, post morale support officer. "Matt had never seen the center reach this level, he would have been very proud. I wish he could have been here to see it."

Bringing in \$2,000 may seem like a small or unimportant goal, but to Mathison it was very important because the funds would go to help recreation programs for soldiers.

According to Hromalik, many recreation programs are required to produce self generated funds in order to qualify for continued funding from DA. The \$2,000 Mathison sought was for those self generated funds.

A native of Iowa, Mathison spent his life doing things for others. "He always wanted to help

others," commented Mrs. Theresia Mathison about her husband. "He was the type that never did anything for himself, he was always giving."

Mathison served over twenty years in the Army. He saw action during the Battle of the Bulge and in Korea. He spent his final five years in the service assigned as a warrant officer here on the Presidio.

"Matt loved his country and would have been willing to serve again, if he were called," added Mrs. Mathison.

Mathison served as a manager of the Presidio Bowling Center for the past 12 years, and according to his wife, "loved every minute of it."

"He enjoyed working at the bowling alley. He loved meeting the people who came in the center," concluded Mrs. Mathison.

Funeral service for Mathison were held Wednesday in the post chapel and he was laid to rest in the San Francisco National Cemetery here on the post where he spent the last 17 years of his life.

"Matt" Mathison may be gone, but his kindness and memory will live on in hearts of those who knew him.

'White Paper 1980'

Army must be flexible in 1980

(Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of eight articles.)

The most demanding challenge confronting the U. S. Military in the 1980's will be to "successfully meet the threats to vital U. S. interests outside of Europe, without compromising the decisive theater in central Europe."

Army Chief of Staff Gen. E.C. Meyer offers that comment along with other observations in his special report to soldiers and DA civilians. "White Paper 1980: A framework for molding the Army of the 1980's into a disciplined, well-trained fighting force," is Meyer's vision of the Army of the 80's.

The Army's top military man feels the more

the Army's members know and understand about the big picture of where the Army is and where it's going, the more soldiers and DA civilians are likely to understand how important their "particular role is in causing that vision to materialize."

"White Paper 1980" focuses on force structure, manning the force, modernizing weapons and command and control systems, training and preparing the peacetime force for wartime mobilization.

Meyer comments that the strategic requirements of the 1980's are to prepare for the "three days of war." The U. S. must be prepared to "deter the day before the war; to fight the day of the

war; and to terminate the conflict in such a manner that on the day after the war the U. S. and its allies enjoy an acceptable level of security," he states.

The many threats and strategic requirements of the 1980's, Meyer concludes, will force the American military to set priorities and to accept risks it would prefer to avoid.

"In short, the Army of the 1980's faces a strategic requirement of unprecedented flexibility; flexibility in tactical deployment options; in strategic deployability; in our thinking as well as our force structure," Meyer observes. (ARNEWS)

Hometown recruiters sought

More soldiers are being sought for the Army's **Hometown Recruiter Aides Program**, according to 1st Lt. Laurianne Dubia, chief of management at COMPACT.

The program is part of an on-going process by DA officials to place more emphasis on "manning the force" at all levels of the Army.

To do its part, FORSCOM has directed an increase in support for the program through September of this year.

Soldiers who apply and are accepted for the program are sent to their hometowns for 30 days to assist recruiting efforts to enlist high school graduates.

To apply a soldier must:

- Be under age 23, this is not waivable.
- Be at least a high school graduate from his hometown
- Be in pay grades E-2 through E-5
- Have no financial indebtedness
- Have a valid civilian and military driver's license
- Have no convictions or a disciplinary record
- Have an outstanding appearance
- Be able to express himself.

Soldiers who are assigned to the Presidio on a compassionate reassignment cannot apply for the program, states Dubia.

To apply, a soldier must have his immediate supervisor write a DF stating the period when the individual can be released to participate in the program.

The soldier must then notify his unit commander who will contact Dubia.



Men at work

Members of Company D, 864th Engineers worked on a wheelchair ramp to allow handicapped persons access to the Civilian Personnel Office. The unit volunteered to do the project to help the post save money. Work on the ramp began in October, but delays held up the beginning of construction until Janu-

ary. The soldiers did the work in addition to other projects, training and going to the field. Ribbon cutting ceremonies were held two weeks ago with Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., praising the unit for its work. The ramp was built as part of post efforts to make buildings more accessible to handicapped persons.

Soldiers will be counted in census

by Bob Mahoney

A portrait of the nation will be painted on April 1 as the nation conducts its 20th decennial census. Every person living in the nation will be counted for the first time since 1970 when 203,211,926 people were reported to the Bureau of the Census.

The Presidio Army community will be a part of this tenth year cycle. According to Maj. Thomas Galvin, installation project officer for the census, "This is the first time in my memory that the military will be counted this comprehensively."

The Presidio part of the census is only a small part of the nationwide program but each and every resident shares the same responsibilities. Galvin says that "each household on the Presidio, and off post as well, will receive a questionnaire directly from the Census Bureau asking for quite a bit of information. In addition to basic information such as age and sex of the resident, questions concerning numbers of rooms in the home, type of employment, educational levels, income and commuting habits will all be asked."

You count here

Soldiers and their families will be counted where they are physically located even though it is not necessarily their home of record.

One of the most widely held myths that exists about the census is that the information gathered will be used for other than statistical profiles. Galvin assures everyone that "the law which authorizes the census also provides that your answers are confidential. For the next 72 years, until April 1, 2052, no one may see your answers except census workers. They are sworn not to disclose your information and they can be fined or imprisoned for any violation. That means that no other government agency, including federal agencies, and no other person or business can see your individual report."

Complete both forms

Procedures on the Presidio for the conduct of the census are slightly different than in most communities, according to Galvin. "In addition to the family questionnaires that will be mailed directly to family housing by the Bureau of the Census, we will be distributing what are known as Military Census Report (MCR) forms through the units. The MCRs must be filled out by or for each person assigned, attached or tenanted on the Presidio as of April 1."

These are separate but distinct reports. Residents of family housing should fill out both the questionnaire received through the mail and the military member should also fill out the MCR received through the unit. While this appears to provide for a possibility for "double counting," Galvin says that the Bureau of the Census has automatic provisions for "screening out" the statistics through the use of sophisticated computer technology.



Counting heads

Maj. Wayne Allton, Armed Forces Day project officer, fills out his 1980 census form. All soldiers will be required to fill out the census form which they'll receive in the mail and a

military census report which will be supplied from their units. The census is conducted every ten years to determine the population of the country. (Photo by Bob Mahoney)

The April 1 date is extremely important to the census. It establishes a common denominator by which everyone is treated and counted equally. This commonality is vital because the statistics produced nationally as well as locally result in everything from legislative reapportionment to adjustments in traffic patterns.

Many things affected

"Your representation in the Congress, in state legislatures, in county, city and town councils is based on the statistical totals gathered in the census," adds Galvin. "Schools, the federal government, businesses and states, cities and citizen groups all use these figures to plan their work and to measure our country's problems and progress."

The most visible of all results of the statistical research is the allocation of funds. For example, Galvin points out that the number of children and the income of families determines how much

money a county will get under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

The sophistication of statistical analysis is such that it can be applied to a myriad of uses.

Locally, in San Francisco, transportation planners will use the census information when selecting bus routes, subway stops and highways that need widening. Other uses involve the use of population concentrations to determine the feasibility and location for establishing new schools, churches, shopping areas and hospitals.

"The forms on which all of the required information is entered may appear to be complicated," continued Galvin. "Read the instructions and fill them out carefully. Please get them in the mail on April 1 or back to the unit immediately. In the long run, it will prove valuable to each of us. We ask that you take the time to assist the nation in this massive and important project."

And so, in order for the portrait of the nation to be complete, on April 1, smile, you're on the census camera.

Presidio girl scouts

learn about the flag

during retreat ceremony

Members of the Presidio Girl Scout troops fold the flag following a retreat ceremony last week. The girls gather at Pershing Square each year to learn about the retreat ceremony and patriotism. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, commander of the Letterman Army Medical Center spoke to the girls during the ceremony. (Photo by Joseph Czurberki)





Drilling for oil?

Members of Company D, 864th Engineers operate this pile driver as part of a project to stop erosion of the hill supporting Conzelman

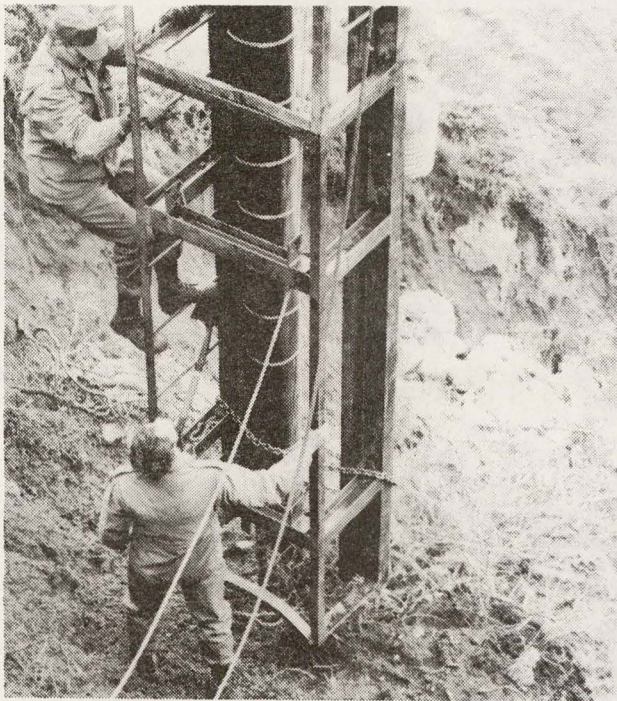
Road on Fort Baker. The rain storm over the President's Birthday holiday washed a 50 feet wide by 40 feet deep gulley into the hillside.

The Presidio unit performed the work as part of their on-going training. (Photo by Tony Rose)

Engineers pile it up

Members of Company D, 864th Engineers recently completed over two days of work to stabilize eroding soil which threatened Conzelman Road at Fort Baker.

According to 2nd Lt. Nathan Barton, operations officer for the unit, the work involved the placement of wooden piles into the 50 feet by 40 feet deep gulley which was created by erosion during the President's Birthday holiday rainstorm.



Coming down

Sp4 Frank James and SSgt. Bob Brice locate the pile to insure it is being placed correctly prior to being pounded into the ground by a pile driver. The two Company D, 864th Engineer soldiers were part of an effort to help stop erosion at Fort Baker. (Photo by Tony Rose)



Just hangin' around

SSgt. Bob Brice looks on while Sp4 Frank James starts the engine on a pile driver used in a project to help stop erosion at Fort Baker.

The two soldiers are assigned to Company D, 864th Engineers.

(Photo by Tony Rose)

Time to spare

The **Oakland Symphony** will present Verdi's Requiem at the **Paramount Theatre** at 11 a.m. Tickets may be purchased from all leading ticket agencies.

The **Marin Symphony** will also be performing tomorrow. A wide selection of classical numbers will be offered beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the **Marin Veteran's Auditorium** in San Rafael.

As always there'll be a **band concert** at **Golden Gate Park's band concourse** beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Jazz will fill the air at **Fort Mason's building D** as **Kerrigan Black** presents some "tasty contemporary tunes" beginning at 2 p.m. Admission is \$2.

At 3 p.m. on Sunday the **San Francisco State Symphony Orchestra** will give a concert featuring music by Beethoven, Stravinsky, and Mozart in **McKenna Theatre**.

Tickets for the concert are \$3 general admission and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens. You can purchase tickets between noon and 4 p.m. during the week at the Creative Arts Box Office. For reservations or more information call 469-2467.

Sunday evening will feature **Eric Park** in the **Plowshares Coffeehouse** in building C at **Fort Mason**. Park and his ragtime music will begin at 7:30. Admission is \$2.50.

The **J. Geils Band** will be in concert at the **Warfield Theatre** at 8 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at all BASS outlets.

The **San Francisco Ballet** will present *Sinfonia, Quattro A. Verdi, Scherzo, and Symphony* in C beginning Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at the **Opera House**.

Other performances are scheduled for Thursday at 8:30 p.m., Mar. 29 at 8:30 p.m., Mar. 30 at 2:30 and 8 p.m. and April 5 at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets range in price from \$2 to \$25 and may be purchased at the Opera House box office or through BASS Outlets.

British music will be featured **Thursday evening** at **Fort Mason**. **McCloud's Ceili Band** will get things underway in **Building C** at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$2.50.

The **San Francisco State University Symphonic Band** will present a concert next **Thursday at 8 p.m.** in **McKenna Theatre**.

The concert will celebrate the spirit of April Fool's Day with selections from P. D. Q. Bach's "Grand Serenade for an Awful Lot of Winds and Percussion"; Duka's "The Sorcerer's Apprentice"; Shostakovich's "Polka"; and several others.

Tickets for the concert are \$3 for general admission, and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens, and may be purchased at the Creative Arts box office.

The **Oakland Coliseum** will present **Journey** in concert **Mar. 28 at 8 p.m.** Tickets are available through all BASS and coliseum outlets.



Whirly-bird's eye view

The city of San Francisco can be viewed from the air from helicopters operating on Piers 5 and 43½. The tours offer birds eye views of the

city, the bay and the two major bridges.

(Photo by Ken Juber)

Down at **Fort Mason**, it will be an "Evening of Irish Country Dancing and Music." The activities get underway at 8 p.m. Mar. 28 in building C. Admission is \$3.50.

The **Oakland Ballet Company** will present the world premiere of Guidi and Tchaikovsky's "In Autumn" Mar. 28 at 8:30 p.m. at the **Paramount Theatre**.

Tickets may be purchased for \$2-\$9 at the theatre box office or through BASS.

KNBR radio will present their second annual **Far Out Fantasies and Fun Time Show and Exposition**, Mar. 30 from noon to 5 p.m. on **Pier 2 at Fort Mason**. Admission is \$2.

Also on Mar. 30, **Bobbie McFarren** will present **scat jazz** in building D on **Fort Mason** beginning at 2 p.m. Admission is \$2. And at 7:30 p.m. **Peter Kessler and Friends** will present **country and bluegrass music** in building C for \$2.50.

Frank Zappa will appear in concert in the **Berkeley Community Theatre** April 1 at 6 and 9 p.m. Tickets are available through all major agencies.

Robin Trower will perform **April 2 at 8 p.m.** at the **Berkeley Community Theater**. Tickets available through all BASS outlets.

The **Berkeley Community Theatre** will present **Pete Seeger** in concert with **Odetta** **April 5 at 8 p.m.** Tickets are available through all Bay Area outlets.

The **Presidio Recreation Center** will offer another day **tour to Hearst Castle and San Simeon** **April 19 at 8 a.m.**

The trip is available to all military personnel and dependents. Reservists and retirees may sign up on a space available basis only. Cost is \$6 per person which includes transportation and tour admission. Interested parties are urged to sign up early.

Discount tickets are now available for **Mariott's Great America** at the Recreation Center. Tickets \$8, a saving of \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

Grandstand guest passes for quarter horse racing at **Bay Meadows** for the season ending May 11th are available without cost.

The **Reno Hospitality Book** is now available at the Recreation Center for \$1.25. This book can help you save \$40.00 on your next trip to Reno.

For additional information about items and other Recreation Center activities, please call daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and discounts distributed daily after 4 p.m.

Bicycles can be fun and dangerous

Bob Mahoney

With the advent of spring comes an increase in outdoor activity by adults and children alike. With the good weather, comes hordes of bicycle riders.

In the past 20 years, the bicycle has grown in popularity to the point where it is perhaps the most widely used source of transportation outside of the automobile. The increased usage also means increased danger.

According to David Hart, safety manager for the Presidio, "Most bicycle accidents are caused by a lack of knowledge of the basic safety rules of the road, or by carelessness."

Hart detailed some of the rules of the road for bicycles. "Number one on the list is to obey all traffic regulations, signs, signals, markings and ordinances. The Military Police can and will issue citations to those who violate the law," says Hart.

Hart also points out that this enforcement is for the protection of the rider as well as for the pedestrian, automobile driver and other bicycle riders.

"Other rules," continued Hart, "include riding with traffic, not against it. Ride on the right in single file. Don't carry passengers or packages that interfere with your vision or control. Use appropriate hand signals to tell other people that you're turn-

ing or stopping. And have your bike inspected to be sure that it's safe. Ride defensively; watch out for the other guy."

According to Hart, "Of great importance, also, is remaining alert. Watch out for car doors opening unexpectedly or for cars pulling out into traffic. Be careful at all intersections."

"One of the most obvious and most ignored safety rules relates to road hazards. Watch out for drain grates, soft shoulders and other road surface hazards."

Hart concluded that "Safety depends on everyone. Don't be an accident looking for a place to happen. Ride carefully."

Sports

Winton aids in All-Army basketball crown

Presidio's Gary Winton rebounded Larry Warren's missed shot with three seconds left and put the ball back up, banking it off the glass to give Army a pulsating 93 to 91 victory over the Navy in the finals of the 1980 Interservice Basketball Championship.

The Navy had tied the game at 91 all with 21 seconds left on a tip in by Henry Kuzman.

USAREUR's Warren took the in-bounds pass, worked the ball down court and then sped past the Navy defense to put up a 10 foot jumper, which curled around the back of the iron and fell into Winton's hands.

Warren finished with 22 points, 14 in the first half and eight in the second. Winton bulled his way for 24 points, including a perfect 8 of 8 from the foul line. Sixteen of his points came in the second half of play as Army went inside against foul plagued Navy.

Scoring in double figures for Army in the

championship game included USAREUR's Nat Rollins, 19 points; Luther Jefferson, 10 points; and Fort Benning's James King, 14 points.

On their way to the Championship in the double elimination tournament at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., Army defeated Navy 100-90 in first round action as Warren fired in 40 points, tossing 21 points in the opening half and 19 in the final 20 minutes. Held to a single point in the first half, Winton scored 11 points in the second half and contained Navy's Kevin Sinnett, the all-time leading scorer and rebounder at the Naval Academy, holding him to five points in the last 10 minutes of play.

The Marines fell victim to a sharpshooting Army Team, 81 to 65 in the second round as Warren connected on his first four jumpers from 20 feet out and teammates Nat Rollins and Gary Winton controlling both boards scored two

baskets apiece in the first five minutes of play as Army led 16 to 2.

Army's starting unit continued to dominate the Marines, scoring at nearly every opportunity to take a 44 to 18 advantage at the intermission. Warren led Army's balanced attack with 17 points, followed by Jefferson's 16 points, Rollins' 12 points, and Petty Fischer's 11 points. Winton tallied five.

The Army's entire starting unit consisting of Matthew Brown, Larry Warren, Gary Winton, Nathaniel Rollins, and David Payne were selected for the 1980 Armed Forces Basketball Team, which will compete in the 1980 AAU National Basketball Championship at St. Augustine, Fl., next week.

Another Presidio soldier, James Allen also participated on the team.

The All-Army team did their training at the Presidio prior to leaving for the tourney.

Jazz dance offered

A vigorous exercise class in dancing is scheduled to begin on Tuesday at post gym no. 1. The class is open to women and men. No dance experience is necessary.

Cost for 12 hours of lessons is \$45 per person. Jacquie Jordan, the instructor, has had extensive dance teaching experience over the last ten years.

A minimum of ten people, maximum of 15, is needed to start a class.

Class schedule is as follows: Tuesday and Thursday, 9-11 a.m., Tuesday 7-9 p.m. You must sign-up at post gym no. 1 no later than Mar. 24.

Adult swim class available

The Sports Branch will offer adult swimming classes to active duty soldiers, reservists, retirees, dependents and DAC's starting April 1.

One class will be held Tuesday and Thursday, from 7-8 p.m. and the second class will be held Wednesday and Friday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Interested personnel should contact Karl Gaffney, Sports Branch, at 561-4120 or 561-5032 or Noli Manas, post pool, 561-3673.

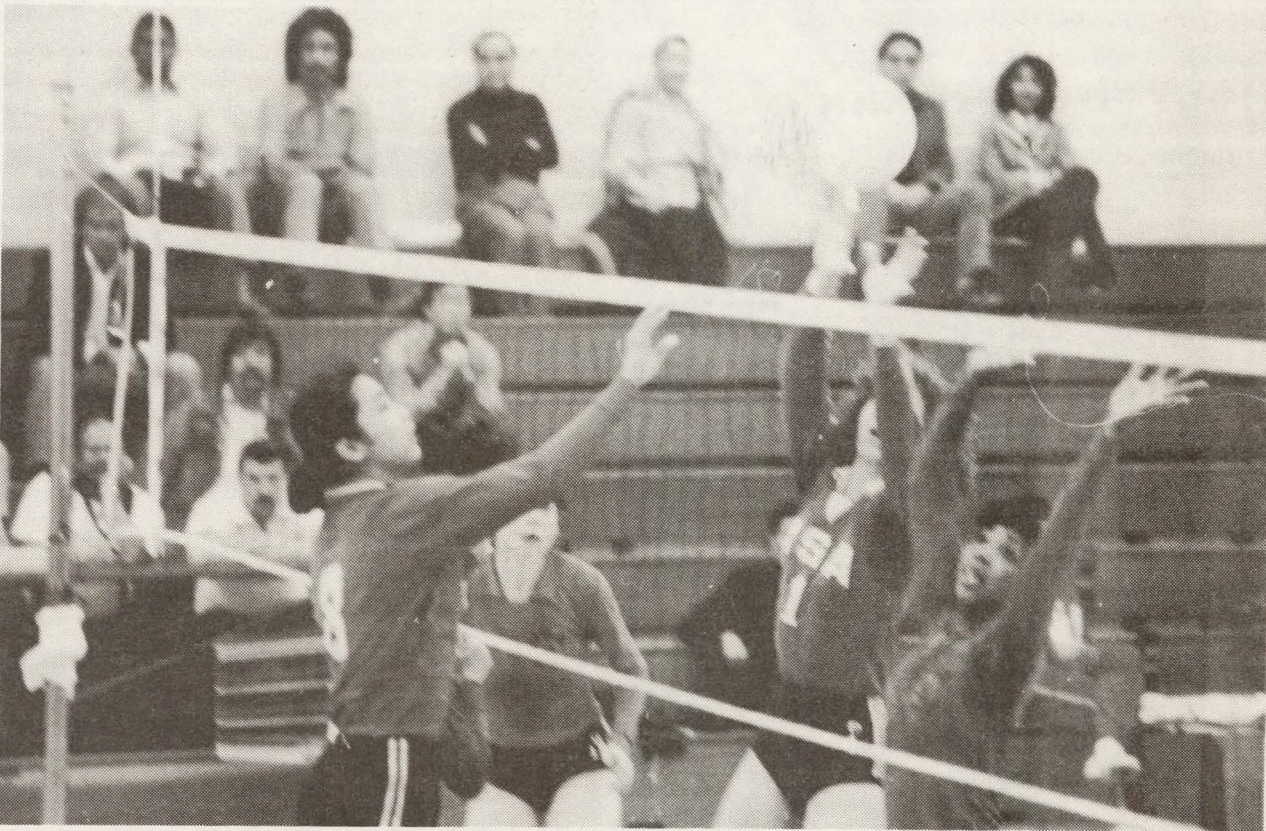
Post race ready

The annual Post Road Racing Championship will be held Mar. 26, starting at noon. The start and finish will be at Post Gym No. 1, and the race will cover a distance of five miles over paved, rolling roads with two major hills. This course is a true test of running ability.

A course map may be viewed on the running bulletin board at Post gym No. 1. Awards will be presented to the top two active duty finishers in each division. Divisions are as follows:

Men	
Open	29 years and under
Sub-masters	30 years thru 39 years
Masters	40 years and older
Women	
Open	29 years and under
Masters	30 years and older

Active duty soldiers, dependents, retirees and Department of the Army civilians assigned to the Presidio desiring to enter are requested to sign up at the Gym office or no later than 10 minutes before the start of the race.



International contest

Members of the United States Women's Volleyball Team practiced in the Post Gymnasium last Friday in preparation for a game that night against the women's team from the People's Republic of China. The Chinese team also practiced in the gym. The appearances were arranged through the Presidio Public Affairs Office and the Morale Support

Activities Division. The two teams participated in a series of exhibition games throughout the western U.S. with the American women winning most of the contests. At the present time, the Chinese women are ranked second in the world, behind the Cubans. The Americans are ranked third. (U. S. Army Photo by Mike Willoughby.

Two unbeaten in volleyball action

The Intramural Volleyball Program is in full swing with eight teams competing in one league. After a week of play, two teams remain undefeated, USAG and LAIR No. 1. Most of the teams are composed of both men and women. All games are played at the Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63.

In the game of the week, USAG vs USACIDC, both teams were undefeated going into the contest. USAG took the first game 15-8 with USACIDC coming back in the second game 15-10 behind some strong serves and good defensive plays.

In the third game, USAG's passing and fine

setting allowed the Garrison spikers to nail the ball and overpower USACIDC 15-1.

Standings as of Mar. 17 are as follows:

TEAM	WON	LOST
USAG	6	0
LAIR No. 1	4	0
504th MP	0	2
USACIDC	4	2
LAMC No. 2	4	2
LAMC No. 1	2	4
LAIR No. 2	0	4
PUBLIC HEALTH	0	6

Racquetball talk and clinic set

Dr. "Bud" Muehleisen, recognized as the "Father of Racquetball", will share his skills and knowledge in the game of racquetball at Post Gym No. 1, on Monday at 11 a.m. for all interested personnel.

"Dr. Bud", as he is called in the fastest growing game in the country, has amassed 43 national and international racquetball titles and was the

first player elected to the Hall of Fame for the sport. He is also instrumental in the design and development of racquets and balls associated with the sport.

At the completion of his clinic presentation, "Dr. Bud", will play exhibition matches against Bill James, the post champion, and other top players of the Presidio.

Presidio News Notes

Meeting announced

There will be a coordination committee meeting for next year's Black History Week, March 27 at 2 p.m. in Bldg. 909 on the Presidio.

Survey planned

The Presidio commissary is currently conducting a survey to ascertain customer preference concerning the bagger and carryout service.

The results of the survey will be used to determine the configuration of the entrance and exit area, checkout stand designation, improve internal traffic flow and the service desired by store patrons.

Boxes for the survey are located near the store entrance and adjacent to the oriental food section.

All patrons are asked to complete one survey before April 19. A signature is requested to preclude duplicate ballots.

Houseboat available

The houseboat controlled by Outdoor Recreation is currently available for the month of May. The first trip is scheduled for May 17-18 and 19 from Stockton. Reservations must be made in person.

The Outdoor Recreation office now has adjustable skates without shoes for rent.

The office's recreation vehicles are also available.

For more information call 561-4324 or 4356.

Symposium set

The Army War College, Current Affairs Panel will be at the University of San Francisco on April 1 for a symposium on military and national security issues.

Col. Jerry D. Lambo, panel chairman, has emphasized that the panel has a vast array of expertise and will be able to discuss most any

issue of interest to military or public audiences.

The panel's particular task is to travel to different college campuses to thereby better introduce the Army to faculty and students.

Topics as far afield as registration and the draft to military research and development are fair game.

Hosted by the USF Department of Military Science, the symposium will be held in the USF University Center room 417, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The military community from the Presidio of San Francisco and surrounding area are cordially invited to attend. For additional information call Capt. Mike Readman, USF ROTC, 561-6284.

Sign up for classes

The Presidio Craft Shop will offer a **beginners woodworking class** starting March 30 and will be held every Sunday afternoon from 1:30-4 p.m. for four weeks. Fee for the course is \$6.

Beginners photography will begin March 26 and meet every Wednesday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for four weeks at a cost of \$6 per person.

A class for **beginners stained glass** will start April 11 and be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six weeks. Cost will be \$17.50 per person.

Active duty military will be given priority, however, in case of space available, retirees, dependents and DA civilians are urged to sign-up. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

ROA to meet

Maj. Gen. Frederick Lawson, commander of the 91st Infantry Division will address the Reserve Officers Association at the Presidio Officers Club on April 3.

This will be a joint meeting of the 91st Division Chapter and the Presidio-6 chapter. Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30 p.m.

Reservations are required: call Col. D.A. Riach at 697-8941, or Col. Angus Loop 531-6401, or by making your check to "ROA" for \$7.00 per person and send to Col. Angus Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, Calif. 94611.

Class scheduled

If you are interested in preparation leading to supervisory rank or if you are employed as a supervisor, then a certificate program with City College of San Francisco in Supervisory Practices might be for you.

The program consists of seven courses, one to be offered every 15 weeks at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216.

The first course "Introduction to Supervisory Practice" will start April 7 and run each Monday and Wednesday through May 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

There is no tuition for California residents or active duty military and dependents who are not residents but have been in the state less than one year.

For military personnel who are not residents but have been in the state more than one year the tuition is \$98. Active duty military who wish to apply for 75 percent tuition assistance must do so at least four working days before the class begins.

The class is open to active duty and retired military, dependents and civilians. For further information or to enroll, call a college counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974/4445 or the Letterman Education Center, 561-4030/3693.

Bazaar for tots

The Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten will hold a second annual bazaar and auction on Mar. 29, from noon to 4 p.m. at Harmon Hall.

The day's activities will start with a 5 mile run through the Presidio, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Harmon Hall. Registration will be held at 9:00 a.m. and there is a \$3 fee.

The bazaar will feature the sale of baked goods, handicraft items, food and beverages. There will be a puppet show and other special activities for the children.

Auction items will include: a \$100 airline ticket; \$145 Arthur Murray dance lessons and four passes to Great America to name a few.

Exercise class to start

Sports Branch will offer an evening exercise class for women on Tuesday and Thursday in the post gym No. 1, from 6-7 p.m.

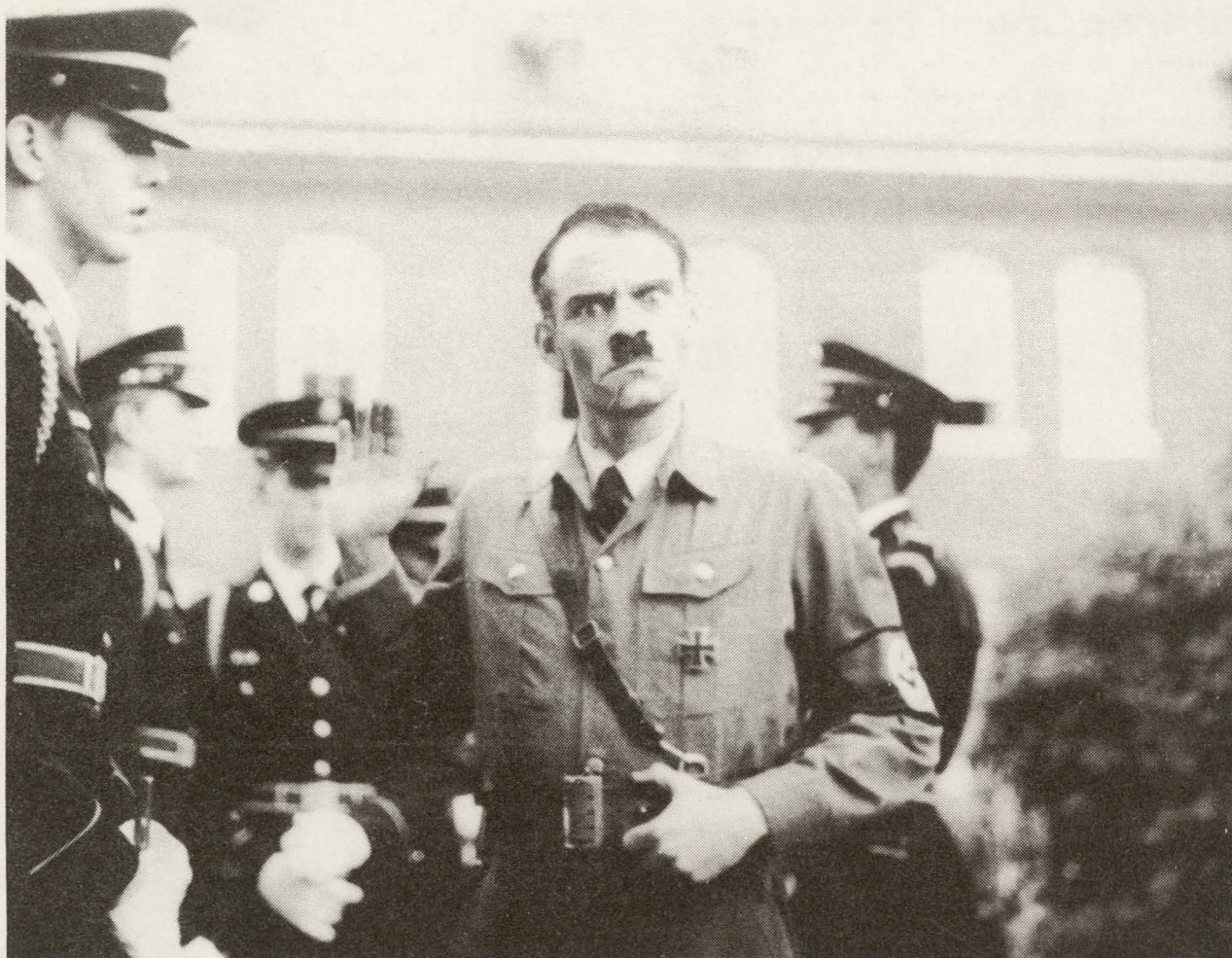
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Presidio

Mar. 22—The Land of No Return (G)
Mar. 22—More American Graffiti (PG)
Mar. 23—The Rose (R)
Mar. 24—The Rose (R)
Mar. 25—Cuba (R)
Mar. 26—The Villain (PG)
Mar. 27—The Great Santini (PG)
Mar. 28—C. H. O. M. P. S. (G) (RE)
Mar. 29—Rich Kids (PG)
Mar. 30—Star Trek—The Motion Picture (G)
Mar. 31—Star Trek—The Motion Picture (G)
Apr. 1—Star Trek—The Motion Picture (G)
Apr. 2—The Concorde—Airport '79 (PG)
Apr. 3—The Deer Hunter (R)
Apr. 4—The Deer Hunter (R)

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 24—Cartoon with 101 Dalmatians (G)
Mar. 25—Halloween (R)
Mar. 26—Rocky II (PG)
Mar. 27—The In-Laws (PG)
Mar. 28—Scavenger Hunt (PG)
Mar. 31—More American Graffiti (PG)
Apr. 1—The Rose (R)
Apr. 2—Cuba (R)
Apr. 3—The Villain (PG) (RE)
Apr. 4—The Great Santini (PG)



Hello there

An Adolf Hitler look-a-like renders a salute in this photo by Sgt. Gwen Goldbeck of the Human Resources Development Division. The photo, taken at last year's Spirit of America observance by the Old Guard in Washington

D.C., is the winner of the Photo of the Week contest. The Star Presidian is interested in printing your photo. Just drop it by our newsroom located on the second floor of building 37 and you might see it here.

Road work to detour bridge traffic

A major commuting route from the Presidio to the Golden Gate Bridge will be blocked for approximately ten days to two weeks, according to SSgt. Larry Mitchell, traffic supervisor for Presidio Provost Marshal's Office.

Crissy Field Ave. from Mason Street northbound to Lincoln Boulevard will be blocked from all traffic beginning April 7. Workers from the Directorate of Facilities Engineering will strip the current road markings and post new signs. When the road way is again

open for traffic, it will be a one way thoroughfare, according to Mitchell.

"It has been determined that Crissy Field Ave. in that area is really too narrow to accomodate the traffic that uses it right now," says Mitchell. "This change is the result of numerous surveys to determine traffic volume, flow and the number of incidents of violations or accidents."

The new one way designation will be in the uphill direction, forcing many commuters to alter their driving habits considerably.

In order to drive to the main part of the installation from the Golden Gate Bridge, drivers will now be required to drive the full length of Lincoln Boulevard. To get to the Post Exchange area from the bridge, drivers will have to drive down Lincoln to McDowell, take a left onto Crissy Field Ave. and then right on Mason.

The portion of Crissy Field Ave. from Lincoln Boulevard downhill to Mason Street will not be affected by the traffic change. It will remain a two-way traffic area.

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MPs to 'curb' vehicle misusers

by Tom Tiernan

Soldiers and civilians who drive military vehicles could find themselves in trouble and minus some money if they abuse or misuse these vehicles.

According to SSgt. Larry Mitchell, Traffic NCOIC at the Provost Marshal's office, the **military police are currently stopping government vehicles to insure they are being used for official business only.**

Mitchell states the reason for the new program is "not to harass drivers but to help cut down on misuse of government vehicles. This is the only way we have to enforce these rules."

Mr. Bruce Terpstra, motor transport officer at DIO, states that, "This post seems to be a little loose on its use of official vehicles."

"Somewhere in the licensing procedure, drivers should have learned what is considered official business and what is not. Yet, I can drive around this post and see cars parked in the driveway of quarters, in the PX and Commissary parking lot, in other places where they aren't supposed to be taken," Terpstra continued.

Terpstra states that not even general officers can use their official vehicles to take them to or from their quarters. "Occasionally, you'll see a general officer being picked up at his quarters, but only after it has been approved by FORSCOM and DA, and that's not too often."

On occasion, the post shuttle bus could be considered a borderline case of misuse, points out Terpstra. "The bus system is really designed to take soldiers from one place of business to another. For example from his unit to the finance office."

"We have exaggerated the route a little to go through the housing area, and we don't deny use to dependents of military personnel. But it is important that dependents remember that the bus route is not set up to meet their needs," Terpstra commented.

Setting up the Hamilton Air Force Base shuttle was a major project for the transportation folks, according to Terpstra. "In order to get the project approved by DA we had to research and justify the system. We had to get written notices that other transit companies couldn't provide the service to the Presidio people who either live or work at Hamilton."

"Occasionally we had retirees use their ID cards to get on the bus to ride to the Presidio and then take MUNI downtown. That's abusing the system. **Retirees can not ride the Hamilton shuttle because we are not allowed to compete with local transit companies,**" Terpstra explains.

If you are caught misusing a vehicle for other than official business what can happen?

According to Mitchell, minor violations will result in an Armed Forces citation which will be sent to the soldier's unit commander and to the civilian's immediate supervisor for disciplinary action.

A minor violation, according to Mitchell, would be when someone drops somebody off at the barracks.

"Flagrant violations," states Mitchell, "such as taking the vehicle to the PX could result in the individual being cited for misappropriation of government property in a Military Police Report, which is sent to the unit commander or a civilian's immediate supervisor. However, copies are also sent to the post commander and the transportation motor pool."

If a driver is involved in an accident while

using the vehicle for unofficial business, he may be **liable for the damages** to car, points out SSgt. Armando Mendoza, report of survey NCO for DIO.

Drivers who are involved in such cases, and are found guilty of negligence, explains Mendoza, may have to forfeit a month's pay or the total amount of the damage if the cost is less than a month's pay.

The only difference between a military and civilian driver is in the collection procedure.

In addition to being liable for the damages, soldiers may receive punishment under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice and civilians under the civilian personnel regulations.

Terpstra warns, even though you are ordered by a superior to use a government vehicle in an unauthorized manner you are still responsible. If you are caught, then you will pay.



No parking

A soldier heads to the PX after parking the official vehicle she's driving on the road outside the exchange. When she returns she might find herself with a ticket and in trouble with her unit commander for using an official vehicle for unofficial business. The

military police are currently stopping vehicles to insure that they are being used properly. If you are caught or have an accident the penalties could be costly.

(Photo by Bob Mahoney)

Energy-saving items can be put on VA loans

Soldiers and veterans can now add the cost of installing energy-saving items to their basic loan amount when purchasing a home with a veterans administration (VA) guaranteed loan.

Improvements may include the installation of a more efficient heating or cooling system and

the addition of insulation, storm windows, or any other qualifying energy-saving device.

The purchaser should have a cost estimate for

the proposed energy-saving improvements when applying for the loan. The total amount of the loan will be the cost of the house, less the down

payment, plus the cost of the energy-saving items. This total can be financed for up to 30 years.

More information on the new program is available at the San Francisco VA Regional Office or your local lending institution.

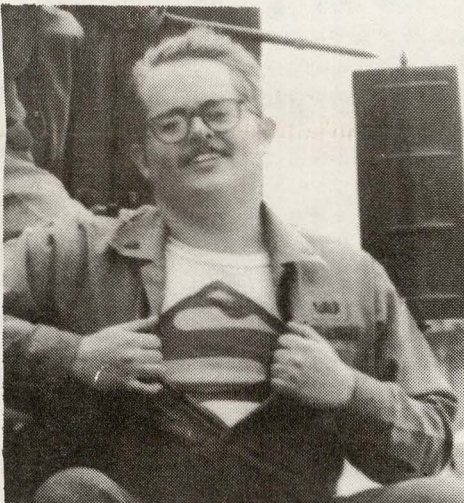
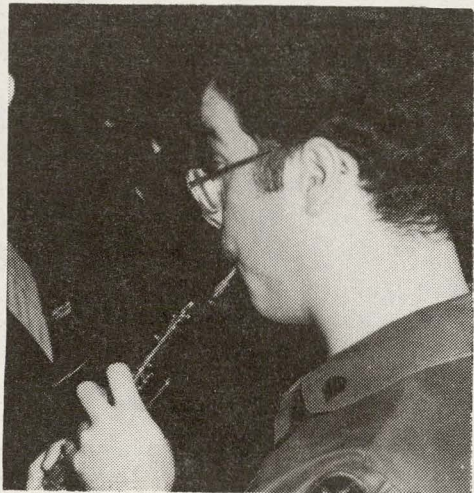
Ramblin' Sam

What would you like to get off your chest?



Byron Y. U. Synder—"I want whoever stole my cake to give it back. And I want people to stop treating me like a child, after all I'm 25 years old."

Wilmer Whistelthwit—"I really don't have anything I want to get off my chest. However, I would like to get this horn out of my mouth."



Sp4 Teddy P. Ellis—"Obviously, I'd like to get rid of this tattoo. I had it put on one night while I was in Vietnam. Fortunately, I had just finished 26 bottles of beer and didn't feel a thing."

Pvt. Farnsworth Pufpaff—"I really like it here with all the water and all, so I don't really have any complaints to get off my chest. I just wish, however, that the first sergeant would get off my back."



Miss Phyllis P. Decorum—"I want everyone to stop calling me Ms. Decorum. Then I want the Star Presidian to stop playing these stupid April Fools jokes."

Take a pause that refreshes

by Chaplain Edward Gaffney
LAMC

"A pause that refreshes."

These few words are snatched from a familiar American advertisement slogan frequently seen on the television screen, heard over the radio, and read in the press. The words are usually accompanied with action and color, they are indicative of life and zest for life and action. They are used as a cause to produce an effect—more vim, vigor, more "get up and go."

No doubt, these catchy words rank high on the legion of advertisement catch words and they may very well attract the eyes, the ears and the minds of many to "follow through" and use the famous product to which they refer—to give the consumer the lift, the vigor, the zest they promise—so be it!

There are other "pauses" that refresh—pauses not related to a commodity or a consumer's good, but pauses referring to one's relationship to his Maker, to the God of his belief.

There is the pause to slow down and reflect on the beauty of nature, the stars of the heavens, the birds of the air, the fishes of the sea, the mountains, the hills, the valleys, the sun on the rise—reflection of the

first cause of all these blessings, the all-powerful God of creation.

The pause to slow down and reflect upon the good things in this world, families, friendships, health, the luxury of freedom, the "daily bread"—reflections on the God, the giver of all good gifts.

The pause to slow down—to take a good look at self, to evaluate: "How do I live my life," How do I think," How do I act," the pause to ask the question "Is this world just a little better because I am here—because I am where I am here and now?" A pause to thank Him for making me the individual I am, the person I am. Do I really believe He made me to His own image and likeness?

The pause to slow down to take a good look at the real meaning of my life. To allow God a place in my life, to see others as important, to see how I can be of service to others, to see that it is good to be alive, to contribute, to affect the lives of others for good, for peace, harmony, equality, justice, and the right to life and happiness.

Indeed, we do pause to refresh our physical makeup—should we not be equally concerned to pause and refresh ourselves by thinking of our relationship to Him who gave us life itself. Unless we pause to refresh our relationship with Him, life may not have very much meaning at all.

Reader Opinion

She liked the training

Dear Editor,

I'm writing this letter in reference to the mandatory training for NCO's which was conducted March 10 through 14 in the HQ Co. USAG classroom by DPTSEC instructors. It was titled, "Train the Trainer."

First of all I want to thank all the instructors from DPTSEC for exposing me to "Common Task Training," required for any NCO in the United States Army. Map Reading was of particular interest to me. If I do 20 years in the Army, I'm sure that I'll find that portion to be most applicable.

But the real reason that I am writing this article is because I was very excited about the new friends I met during that week of training. It gave the NCOs from many duty sec-

tions an opportunity to get together and hash-out problems of Common Task training and also to meet and come together on a friendship basis.

The training gave us an opportunity to find out what areas of basic soldiering we needed the most training in to make us better NCOs and in turn to make the Army a better place to be.

Although some of the students/NCOs may have thought the whole idea was a waste of time, I feel that the NCOs of HQ Co. USAG performed the required training in a very professional manner and earned the respect of each other and respect for the Common Task training as well.

Thanks,
Sgt. Gwendolyn A. Goldbeck

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Field jackets now belong to you

How many times have you had to tear off an old name tag to put your name on a field jacket? Makes you kind of wonder who 'Reynolds' or 'Jones' was, doesn't it?

Starting Oct. 1, soldiers will get their very own field jacket to have and to hold. **The field jacket will become a personal clothing bag item instead of an organizational item.**

Enlisted soldiers joining the active Army, Army National Guard or reservists coming on active duty for training after that date, will be issued two field jackets.

Enlisted soldiers already on active duty will be issued one field jacket. Many soldiers have field jackets that were issued as organizational items. In these cases, DA officials explained, the field jacket will simply be removed from the DA Form 3645, organizational clothing and equipment record, and be transferred to the soldier's DA Form 3078, personal clothing request.

An increased clothing maintenance allowance to cover the field jacket is according to a DA announcement made last week, but the exact amount has not yet been set. The extra money should be saved, because **by Oct. 1, 1983 all soldiers must have two field jackets. Those who don't get two upon entering the service, must buy the second one.**

Since the field jacket will no longer be issued as an organizational or CTA 50-900 item, **officers will have to turn in field jackets issued to them by Oct. 1, 1980 and buy their own, officials said.**

DAC dependents only

Deadline near for scholarships

Sons and daughters of Presidio civilian employees are eligible for academic scholarships sponsored by the Federal Council of Northern California, according to Mrs. Barbara Eckstrom, Presidio incentive awards coordinator.

"A total of ten \$500 awards will be given to outstanding high school graduates upon enrollment in a recognized junior college or accredited college or university," continued Eckstrom.

The Presidio involvement in the program stems from the membership of the post Civilian

Personnel Office in the Federal Council of Northern California.

"Students who are currently employed in a Federal agency under the President's Stay in School campaign or who were employed during the summer of 1979 under the Summer Youth Opportunity Program are also eligible for the scholarships," she says.

In either case, applicants must be high school seniors graduating between January and June 1980.

clothing bag items and all soldiers must have two.

(Photo by Debbie Miller)

Hung up

Mrs. Emiko Rutt hangs up field jackets at the post clothing sales store. The jackets, once organizational items, are now personal



Earn \$55 a month extra, join EOD

E-5's can now volunteer to become Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) specialists, according to 1st Lt. William Taliaferro, commander of the 87th EOD Detachment, Presidio.

Previously, only E-5's through E-4's could volunteer for EOD training, Taliaferro said. Due to a shortage of about 200 EOD specialists Army-wide, the program has now been opened to E-5's, Taliaferro explained.

Volunteers accepted for EOD training are

attached to the nearest EOD detachment. Two weeks of training at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., are followed by 13 weeks at the U.S. Naval Explosive Ordnance School, Indianhead, Md.

Upon completion of the Indianhead course, soldiers are awarded MOS 55D and the EOD badge. Enlisted volunteers begin receiving \$55 a month demolition pay when they start training at Indianhead.

To be eligible, volunteers must have 13 months service remaining after completion of training and arrival at their new unit. Soldiers may extend or reenlist to meet this requirement.

Also, soldiers must meet the mental, medical and security requirements for EOD duty.

Interested soldiers should contact SFC Henry Tobias or SFC Thomas Manders of the 87th EOD detachment, 561-5209 or 561-2524 for details.

Services set for Holy Week and Passover

Christian Holy Week observances will be conducted by the chaplains at Presidio again this year.

All Protestants are invited to start this important week on Palm Sunday by attending one of the four regular services. The **post chapel's 11 a.m. service** will feature the Caltech, 45 male voice choir in concert, followed by a **potluck picnic**.

"Walking With Jesus" will be the theme for the protestant noon meditation at the post chapel, Mar. 31 through April 4. A Maundy Thursday communion service will also be held at 7 p.m., April 3.

The Post Chapel Choir will present their Easter concert during the **Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m., April 4.**

Easter Sunday will be highlighted with

a Sunrise Service, at 7 a.m. in the Post Chapel Memorial Gardens Patio. The Sixth Army Band and the Post Chapel Choir will present special music. Regular Sunday Services will also be held at post, Fort Scott, and Fort Baker chapels. The traditional Chapel Easter Breakfast will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

All Catholics are invited to attend regular masses at the Chapel of Our Lady and Fort Scott Chapels on Palm Sunday.

Throughout Holy Week, confessions and mass will be held at 11 a.m. and 11:35 a.m. respectively.

On Holy Thursday, the Evening Mass of the Last Supper will be said at 5 p.m. Adoration and confession will last until 10 p.m.

On Good Friday, celebration of the Lord's Passion and Stations and Veneration of the Holy Cross will be held at 5 and 7 p.m. Confessions will be heard after the 7 p.m. service.

Holy Saturday will offer confessions from 3-5 p.m. with the **Easter Vigil Service at 7 p.m.**

All the Holy Week Services will be conducted at Chapel of Our Lady.

Regular Easter Sunday Masses will be offered at all chapels.

Jewish Passover begins on Mar. 31 and ends April 8. Jewish military and dependents are invited to attend Passover Seder Services and Dinner on April 1, at 6:30 p.m., at the Congregation New Tamid, 1250 Quintara St. at 22nd Avenue.

Soldiers praise exercise

by Pete Britten

Members of the 504th Military Police Battalion pride themselves on being "field soldiers" who are not limited to garrison duties and training.

The unit's mettle was tested recently during "Operation New Deal," a quarterly field training exercise at Camp Roberts, located near Paso Robles, Calif.

"This exercise was a most successful operation that involved both day and night training phases," said Lt. Col. Donald Gallagher, commander of the 504th. "The time in the field was a great opportunity for me as a relatively new commander of the battalion as well as my leaders and soliders to get a good, hard look at ourselves.

"I was very pleased with the collective performance of all of my soldiers—enlisted, non-commissioned officers and officers that make a strong team. I'm fortunate to have such good people in my command," Gallagher concluded.

The soldiers in the battalion come from the HHD, 504th MP Battalion, the 163rd and 170th MP Companies, Co. D 864th Engineers and the 51st Engineer Detachment.

The soldiers were involved in perimeter assaults, land navigation, electronic warfare, nuclear-biological-chemical warfare, river crossings, obstacle construction, and booby-trap construction, to mention a few.

Apparently the soldiers found the training worth-while. "I am a carpenter with the 864th Engineers, and this field training is good for the whole unit," said PFC Theodore Kambour. "We learn how to do our job better and how to survive."

Sp4 Tracy Duke is an administrative specialist with her unit and she expressed satisfaction with her field exercise experience. "I think being in the field is a good training experience and it helps us to become ready if war should come. It makes us aware of what a real situation could be like," she added. "Just like other women who are soldiers, I expect no special treatment from the rest of the soldiers. So far, I see things as fair and equal and we all have to be good and professional."

"During the entire exercise, the battalion in general demonstrated high morale and lots of esprit de corps. These are good signs that we are ready to do our job when the crunch point comes," reflected CSM George Cruz. "I can honesty say that we can live up to our motto of: 'duty, justice and honor'.

'White Paper 1980'

Army must improve readiness

(Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of eight articles.)

The Army of the 1980's faces the challenge "to bring the force structure into harmony in terms of its manning, equipment and training—all keyed to missions," reflects Gen. E. C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, in his "White Paper 1980."

Meyer explains that the basic tasks for the active and reserve components are clear. The active forces maintain the Army's overseas commitments, respond to non-NATO incidents and provide the first combat forces until reserve component forces can be mobilized and deployed.

However, Meyer comments, the mix of heavy and light forces, the right ratio of combat to support structure and the degree of modernization are areas where "difficult tradeoffs must be made."

"We must enhance readiness in three key areas now," stresses the General.



Close work

PFC F. Faavalella, from Company D, 864th Engineers, removes a booby trap from a bridge during the 504th MP Battalion's quarterly FTX at Camp Roberts. The units in the battalion participated in 'Operation New

Deal" which offered them extensive training in their MOS as well as in basic soldiering skills.

(Photo courtesy of the 864th Engineers)



Follow the yellow brick road

Sp4 Walter Worley, Sp4 Tracey Duke and PFC Robert Hunt use the hood of a jeep to place their map so that they can use their land navigation skills to find their way to their

unit. The soldiers were participating in "Operation New Deal" the 504th MP Battalion's FTX for this quarter. (Photo by Pete Britten)

Recruiters team up with Raiders to convince kids to stay in school

by Don Norton

There's a public service television "spot" that has gotten considerable play during the professional football season and, in turn, causes many a raised eyebrow from people visiting the San Francisco area.

The spot in question has **Oakland Raider guard Gene Upshaw and Army MSgt. Jim Jackson** of the San Francisco District Recruiting Command sitting and rapping about the importance of staying in high school.

As a climax, Upshaw looks directly into the camera and proclaims: **"Remember, winners finish first."** The spot ends with the Army and Raiders' logos superimposed side by side.

The spot is but one "wonderful" result of a highly successful cooperative effort between members of the Raiders Club and the San Francisco DRC people. The venture has also produced mammoth outdoor billboard displays, flyers, stickers, coach-aid posters and an 11-minute film.

The entire joint campaign is the "brainchild" of Nikki Tomlinson, NW Ayer field account executive for the San Francisco Command, and Oakland Raiders executive assistant Al LoCasale. It began with a series of meetings between the two in 1977 and since has drawn raves from just about everyone involved.

"The purpose was to develop an increased awareness among Bay Area youth pertaining to the importance of staying in school to get that diploma," the spokesman said. At the same time, he said, it develops "role models." The Raiders and Army members appear side by side to deliver the clear and concise message: "Graduate, be a winner and become part of a winning organization. The Army is the 'winning organization' the San Francisco District Command has in mind.

But the core of the campaign is a series of high school visits featuring members of the Raiders and Army recruiters. A complete reversal of ideas and feelings than were formerly held about the Army among the school populace isn't unusual. Once skeptical officials have come to embrace the "Stay in School" program as well as objectives of Army recruiters.

"The kids," the San Francisco Command spokesman said, "get to see the Army in a completely different and much more favorable light."

But school officials and students haven't been the only ones anxious to get behind the program.

Also on the "Stay in School" team are Raiders running back Clarence Davis, offensive guard Upshaw and members of the Raiderette professional girls cheer leading team.

On the Army side, there are 1958 Heisman Trophy winner Pete Dawkins, now a colonel and Army recruiters like Jackson and Sgt. Hope Findley also of the San Francisco District Recruiting Command.

The "fledging" program was first announced at a community luncheon in October, 1978, and has been a "going proposition" ever since.

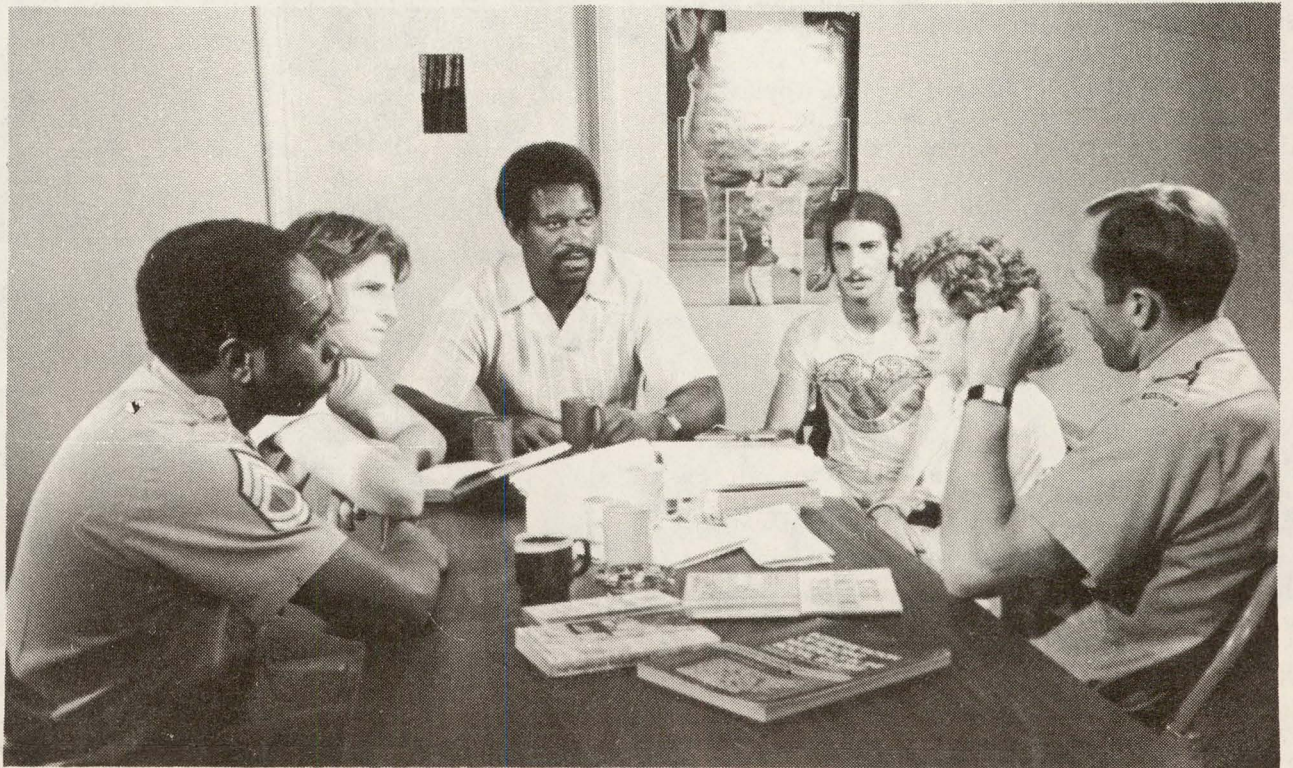
The Raiders donated a full page of their 1978-79 PRO Magazine to the program but cooperation between the grid club and the Army goes back even further.

"The Raiders have been extremely helpful toward Army Recruiting for years," the San

Francisco spokesman said. He added that the Army has become a prominent figure in Santa Rosa's annual "Family Day" affair. "The event allows fans to meet the players on a one on one basis," he said. "In 1978, the Sixth Army Band performed in a program that culminated when 30 DEPs (Delayed Entry Program personnel) enlisted before 7,000 professional football fans."

Raiders and Raiderettes have donated their own free time to personal appearances at Army recruiting stations and open houses.

The program also has terrific potential for the future said an Army spokesman. "It has been so very well received by educators, media and civic officials in the Bay Area that LoCasale very strongly believes the NFL could become interested in developing a similar theme on a nationwide format," he said.



A chat among friends

Oakland Raiders guard Gene Upshaw, Army recruiter SFC Robert Jackson and Col. Pete Dawkins, talk with young people about the importance of staying in school. Upshaw's appearance was part of an on-going program

between the Army and the Raiders to convince kids to stay in school.

(Photo by Ken Wang, courtesy of the San Francisco District Recruiting Command)

Prices going up, up and away

by Jim Breen

Office, Chief of Public Affairs, DA

A national magazine recently reported that **consumer prices increased 13.3 percent** on an average from December 1978 to December 1979.

The same article listed 20 items that equalled or exceeded the 13.3 percent average. Another 40 or so items rose less than 13 percent or, went down in price.

Using the listing, let's follow PFC Moonlighter and his wife through a typical day.

Moonlighter wakes up, showers, shaves and dons his uniform while Mabel Moonlighter is perking a pot of coffee, and fixing a breakfast of ham, eggs and toast for Moonlighter and milk, cereal and juice for little Linda Moonlighter.

Hold it, Mabel. Stop and think—coffee rose 19.6 percent last year. The ham's O. K. It went down in price by 8.4 percent. Eggs you can handle, they only increased 3.6 percent. But that toast has got to go. It went up 13.3 percent. So, it's ham and eggs only from now on.

So Moonlighter kisses Mabel goodbye. Oops, wait a minute. We forgot about little Linda.

Put that cereal and milk down, kid. Cereal topped off at 11.1 percent and milk at 11 percent on the nose. Try some of daddy's ham.

Back to Moonlighter kissing Mabel goodbye. He jumps in his sleek 1955 four-door wagon. He bought it from a little old lady for a bargain. It probably was a bargain because used cars went up 2.2 percent.

Halfway to work, Moonlighter needs gas—you guessed it—up 52.2 percent. He decides against buying a new tire to replace 'old baldy'—up 12 percent, but does splurge on a pack of cigarettes while he's at the station. They only went up 6.1 percent—not too bad.

While Moonlighter is on his way to work, Mabel takes a break to read the morning paper—up 9.3 percent. "Got to get little Linda a new pair of shoes," she mulls, looking for a sale. Shoes are up 9.8 percent.

"Just don't see how we're going to make it this month," she thinks. "Maybe dear old dad can help. I'll give him a call tonight." Good move, long distance calls went down in price by 0.8 percent.

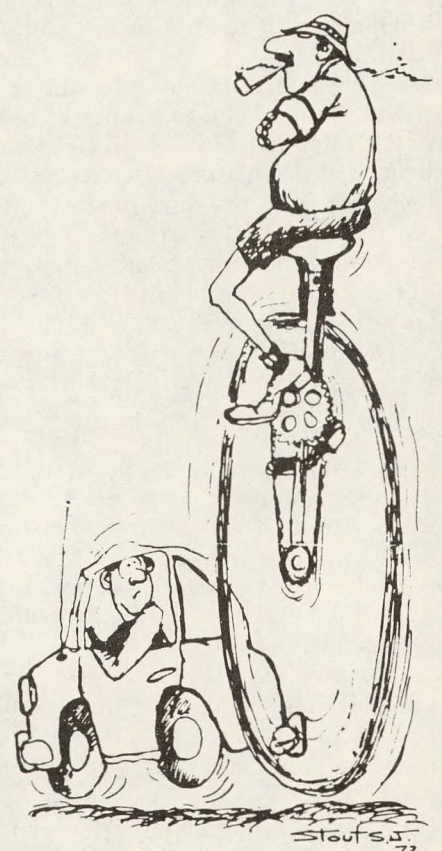
In the meantime, playful little Linda has thrown her bottle of cola—up 9.7 percent—through the TV screen. Lucky break, TV's only went up 0.9 percent.

By this time Mabel is going bananas. You guessed it, bananas went up 21.9 percent. She calls Moonlighter at work—local calls down 0.8 percent—threatens to hail a cab—up 14.9 percent and fly home to mother—airfare up 30 percent.

Moonlighter calms Mabel down and promises to be home early.

Mabel spends the rest of the day hoping Moonlighter will take her out to dinner—up 12.1 percent—but she knows she'd better make ham sandwiches, again.

Conserve energy



Time to spare

The Fort Mason Center will present an **"Evening of Irish Country Dancing and Music,"** tonight at 8 p.m. in building C. Admission is \$3.50.

Ballet lovers can witness the **world premiere** of Guidi and Tchaikovsky's **"In Autumn"** tonight at 8:30 at the Paramount Theatre in Oakland.

Tickets for the Oakland Ballet Company performance may be purchased through all BASS outlets.

KNBR radio will present its second annual **"Far Out Fantasies and Fun Time Show and Exposition"** Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. on Pier 2 at Fort Mason. Admission is \$2.

Bobbie McFarren will present scat jazz in building D on Fort Mason Sunday at 2 p.m. Admission is \$2. At 7:30 that evening, **Peter Kessler and Friends** will perform country and bluegrass music in building C for a cover charge of \$2.50.

It's no April Fool's joke that **Frank Zappa** will appear in concert April 1, at 9 p.m. at the Berkeley Community Theatre. Zappa will also perform April 6, at 9 p.m. Tickets are available through all Bay Area ticket agencies.

Robin Trower will be coming to the Berkeley Community Theatre April 2, at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through all BASS outlets.

The **Little Death Rock Band** will present a concert next Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Union Square.

Next Friday, **Pearl Harbor and the Explosions**, will present a concert at the Civic Center Plaza, that's on Polk and McAllister Streets, from 1-6 p.m.

There'll be a **"Big Bunny Egg Hunt"** in the children's zoo section of the San Francisco Zoo on April 5, at 11 a.m.

At noon on April 5, the **Giles Brothers Band** will perform from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Union Square.

The Berkeley Community Theatre will present **Pete Seeger in concert with Odetta**, April 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through all Bay Area outlets.

The Presidio Recreation Center will offer a Cake Decorating class starting April 7 at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$15. All interested parties are requested to sign up early due to limited class size and to receive a list of materials needed for the class.

The Recreation Center is offering the following tours: April 19, 1980, Hearst Castle, cost \$6; May 31, Sacramento River Cruise, cost \$20. Don't

miss this opportunity to cruise the Sacramento River in a luxury boat followed by a tour of "Old Sacramento" and return to Presidio. All interested parties are requested to sign-up by May 7.

The following discount ticket opportunities are available at the Recreation Center; Marriott's Great America tickets for \$8.00, a savings of \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children; grandstand guest passes for Quarter Horse Racing at Bay Meadows for the season ending May 11 (no cost); Reno Hospitality Book for \$1.25.

For additional information about items and other Recreation Center activities, please call

daily after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and discounts distributed daily after 4 p.m.

The Presidio Officers' Club will sponsor two buffets on Easter Sunday. The first, a Champagne Buffet, will be held from 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. That evening, a buffet featuring Prime Rib and children's Easter baskets will begin at 5 and last until 8 p.m.

The Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club will feature a special prime rib dinner tonight for \$6 per adult and \$3 for children. The group "Nimbus" will be on stage from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Tomorrow night it will be all night disco from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.



In your Easter bonnet

There'll be a traditional Easter parade right down Main Street at Disneyland on Easter Sunday featuring Mickey and Minnie Mouse in special costumes. If you are looking for a special way to observe Easter and have Dis-

neyland in mind, contact the Presidio Recreation Center and pick up a special discount coupon. Coupons can be picked up daily after 4 p.m. (Photo courtesy of Walt Disney productions)

Black soldiers featured in new display

By Pete Britten

Recently two history enthusiasts joined their talents and energy to begin the anatomy of what has now turned out to be an unusual and unique museum exhibit.

Considered a true "first of its kind" exhibit anywhere, the Presidio of San Francisco museum staff recently unveiled "Ready and Forward" a display depicting the historical contributions of the Black soldier from the days of the American Revolution to the post-Vietnam era.

The entire exhibit exists of numerous photographs, slides, memorabilia and artifacts with visual appeal to the general community.

Many of the items shown are from the private collection of Anthony Powell, author, collector and historian who is an expert on Blacks in the military. His boyhood dream of a Black soldier exhibit stems from a vow he gave to his grandfather whose legacy as a professional soldier he has never forgotten. "I was determined from the time of my grandfather's inspiration that I would find a way of showing that the military life was a very important part of the total black experience in America," said Powell.

Museum curator, Eric Saul, teamed up with Anthony Powell to help engineer and compile the collection. The pair was assisted by members of the museum staff and several volunteers in the collective effort.

The exhibit traces the participation of Blacks who fought in the Civil War, World Wars I and II. Their record of patriotism continued throughout

the Korean conflict which ended segregated forces. The period of full combat excellence with high visibility was Vietnam.

Located at the corner of Lincoln Blvd. and Funston Ave., the museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Historic display

Michelle Austin, a San Francisco State student, and Gant Phillips a student at UC-Berkeley, discuss a photo with photographer Bill Malkiel and Presidio Army Museum curator Eric Saul. The photo is one of many in

'Ready and Forward' exhibit currently on display at the museum. The facility is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(Photo by Pete Britten)

Sports

Racquetball expert holds clinic here

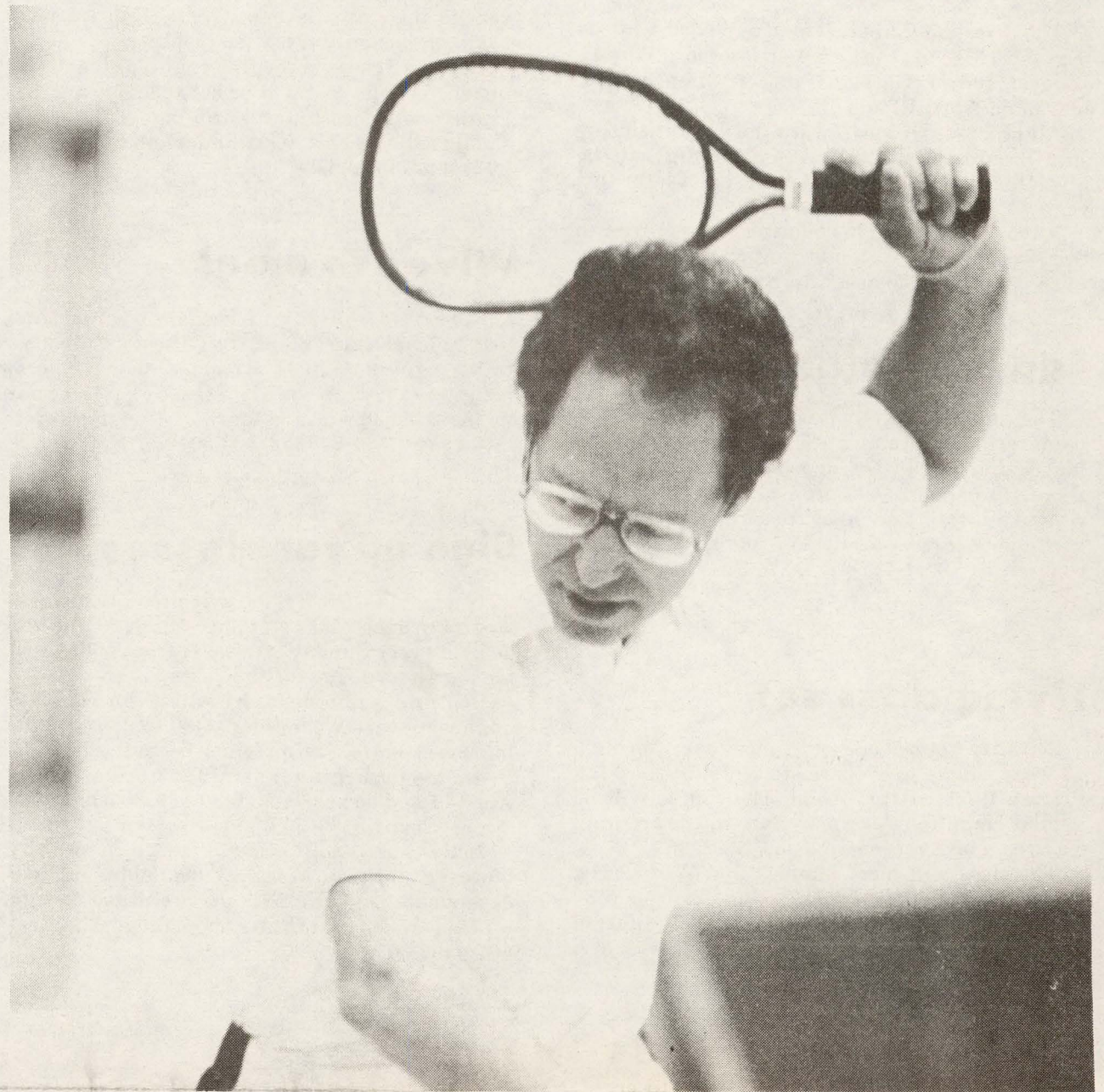
Dr. "Bud" Muehleisen, recognized as the "Father of Racquetball," conducted an inspiring clinic at Post Gym No. 1, last Monday, sharing his skills and knowledge with an enthusiastic crowd of 30 Presidio players.

The clinic included a superb exhibition between Dr. "Bud" and all comers, including the current post champion, Bill James of LAMC.

Although, handily defeating every opponent, the importance of this clinic was stressed not on winning or losing, but on learning from a great champion how to improve one's game. With each opponent, Muehleisen would give suggestions as to what fundamentals needed improving, such as body position, follow through, ball control, and serving placement.

Muehleisen plans to travel to Korea and Japan to conduct other clinics for military personnel to promote what he calls, the fastest growing game in the country—racquetball.

Muehleisen has amassed 43 national and international racquetball titles and was the first player elected to the Hall of Fame. He's also been instrumental in the design and development of racquets and balls associated with the sport.



There's a wrong way

"Dr." Bud Muehleisen, shows the proper position for a forehand shot during a clinic he conducted last week at the post gym. Muehleisen, considered the "Father of Rac-

quetball", took on anyone interested in playing him and gave each opponent personalized instructions on how to improve their game. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Swim classes set

The Presidio Sports Branch will offer Adult Swimming classes to all interested active duty military, reservists, retirees, dependents and DAC's beginning April 1.

The first class will be held Tuesday and Thursday, from 7 to 8 p.m. and the second on Wednesday and Friday, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Interested persons should contact Karl Gaffney, at building 63 at 561-4120/5032.

Golfers tee-off

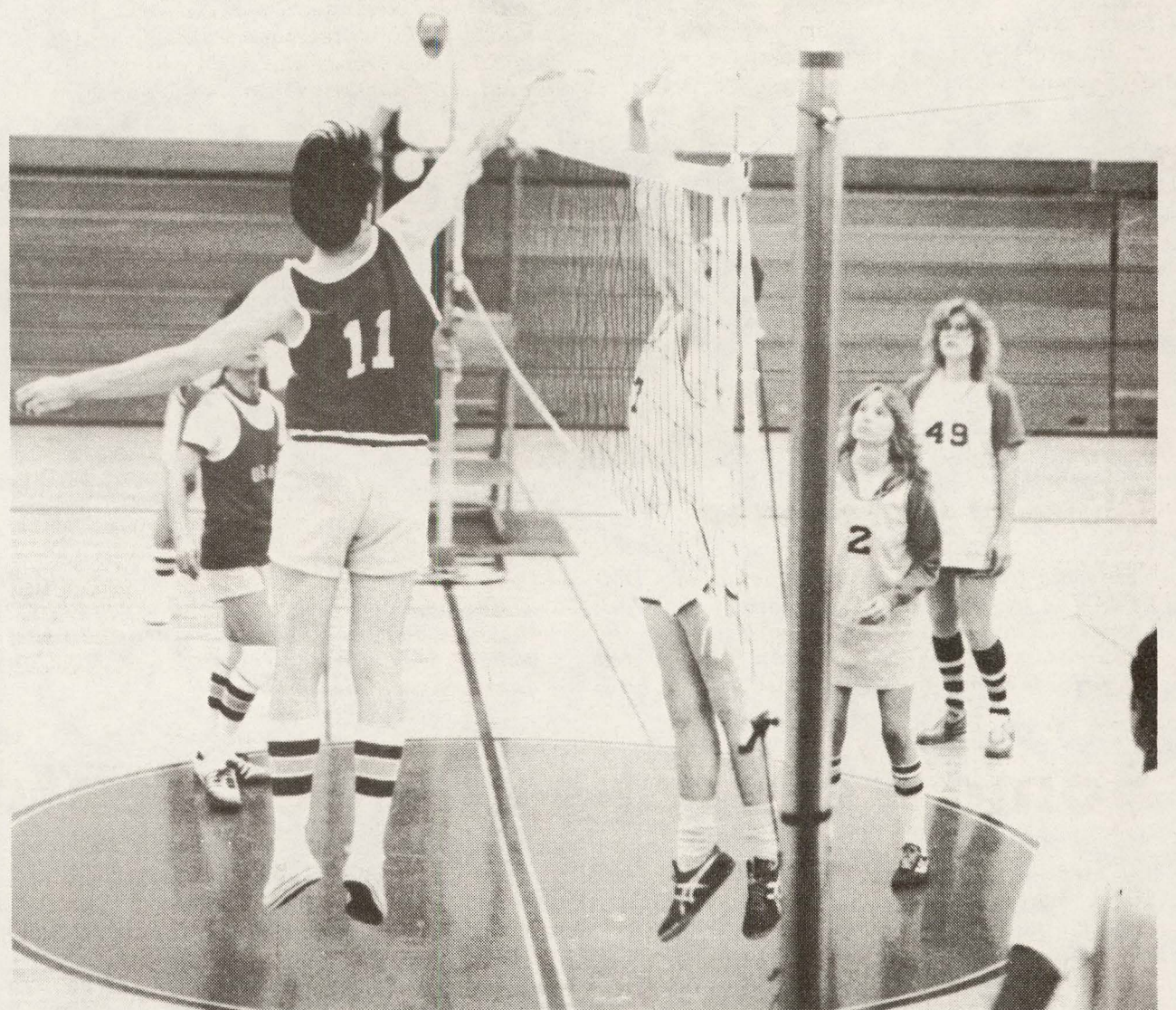
Intramural golf teed off last week with six teams participating—LAMC, Region IX, Western Region Recruiting, LAIR, 504th MP Bn and Sixth Army. USAG drew a bye.

In the first match, Region IX defeated LAMC 9-0, LAIR defeated WRRC by the score of 9-0, and the third match of the afternoon pitted Sixth Army against the 504th MP Battalion, with Sixth Army coming on top by a score of 6-3.

USAG unbeaten

After two weeks of intramural volleyball competition, USAG remains undefeated with a spotless 10-0 record: USACIDC holds down the number two spot, with an 8-2 record, and LAMC No. 2 is close behind with an 8-4 record. League standings as of Mar. 24 are as follows:

TEAM	WON	LOST
USAG	10	0
USACIDC	8	2
LAMC No. 2	8	4
LAIR No. 1	4	2
LAMC No. 1	3	4
PHS	3	6
LAIR No. 2	0	8
504th MP BN	0	8



Nice to meet ya'

A USAG player (in dark shirt) prepares to return the ball to LAIR No. 2 player during last week's volleyball action. The USAG team

is undefeated in 10 games after finishing off LAIR No. 2.

(Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Clinic planned

The 1980 Intramural Slow Pitch Softball competition will begin May 5.

A clinic for rules interpretation will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. April 28, at Post Gym No. 1. Units entering a team must have a team representative at this meeting.

All those interested in umpiring for this year should notify Mr. Gascon at Post Gym No. 1, 561-3364.

Presidio News Notes

Wives sponsor sale

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club is participating in the KYA-sponsored "World's Largest Indoor Garage Sale" at Pier 2, Fort Mason on April 12 and 13.

All proceeds will go toward the Club's scholarship program for 1980. A scholarship will be given to a dependent high school senior later this year.

Anyone interested in donating items or time to this worthy cause, should contact either Cindy Bacus at 561-3858 or Anita Evans at 561-2463.

Egg hunt planned

The annual Presidio Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 5 at 10 a.m. at El Polin Springs (end of MacArthur Blvd), for dependent children ages three through 12. Children of active duty and retired military personnel are cordially invited to participate in this event. For more information, contact Mr. Bart Porter, DYA Director, at 561-5143.

Flying class set

The City College of San Francisco is offering a 13 week course to prepare students for the FAA Private Pilot written exam. The course will be held at Hamilton Air Force Base in the training classroom of Aviation Division Bldg. 86.

The class will meet Monday and Wednesday, starting March 31 and ending June 25 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The course is free for California residents or military personnel with less than a

year in the state. Tuition will be \$156 for non-residents or military personnel with more than a year in the state. Seventy-five percent tuition is available for military personnel.

Books will be sold the first night of class by the instructor. The cost will be between \$30 and \$35.

Anyone interested in enrolling in the course should call the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974/4445 to register.

Wives to meet

The Presidio Officers' Wives' Club will hold its next luncheon April 3 at the Officer's Club. The gathering will feature a fashion show by local designers and speciality stores. Social hour begins at 11:30 p.m. and lunch at noon. For reservations call 561-2472 or 883-5010.

Sign up for classes

The Presidio Craft Shop will offer a **beginners woodworking class** starting March 30 and will be held every Sunday afternoon from 1:30-4 p.m. for four weeks. Fee for the course is \$6.

Beginners photography will begin March 26 and meet every Wednesday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for four weeks at a cost of \$6 per person.

A class for **beginners stained glass** will start April 11 and be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six weeks. Cost will be \$17.50 per person.

Active duty military will be given priority, however, in case of space available, retirees, dependents and DA civilians are urged to sign-up. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

Red Cross plans classes

American Red Cross is in need of additional instructors in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, first aid and water safety.

Red Cross will be conducting the following CPR and first aid classes in April, 1980. Phone your Red Cross office 561-2187 to sign up to attend a class.

April 11—First Aid class from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
April 22 and 24—Double session CPR class from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

AAFES hotline open

To encourage reporting of fraud, waste and abuse within the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), a toll-free hotline has been installed at AAFES Headquarters in Dallas, TX. The phone number is 527-6789.

One aspect of the new reporting system is that callers may remain anonymous if they wish. However, AAFES officials say, "A more thorough investigation of the reported allegation can be made if a caller does identify himself." All names will be strictly controlled within safety and security channels.

The system provides continuous service, seven days-a-week. All incoming calls will be recorded. During normal duty hours AAFES security branch personnel will answer the telephones and at other times an answering device will record the calls.

Symposium set

The Army War College, Current Affairs Panel will be at the University of San Francisco on April 1 for a symposium on military and national security issues.

Col. Jerry D. Lambo, panel chairman, has emphasized that the panel has a vast array of expertise and will be able to discuss most any issue of interest to military or public audiences.

The panel's particular task is to travel to different college campuses to thereby better introduce the Army to faculty and students.

Topics as far afield as registration and the draft to military research and development are fair game.

Hosted by the USF Department of Military Science, the symposium will be held in the USF University Center room 417, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The military community from the Presidio of San Francisco and surrounding area are cordially invited to attend. For additional information call Capt. Mike Readman, USF ROTC, 561-6284.

ROA to meet

Maj. Gen. Frederick Lawson, commander of the 91st Infantry Division will address the Reserve Officers Association at the Presidio Officers Club on April 3.

This will be a joint meeting of the 91st Division Chapter and the Presidio-6 chapter. Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30 p.m.

Reservations are required: call Col. D.A. Riach at 697-8941, or Col. Angus Loop 531-6401, or by making your check to "ROA" for \$7.00 per person and send to Col. Angus Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, Calif. 94611.



Wintery water-land

This pic by PFC Laurie Hatmaker of COM-PACT is the winner of the Photo of the Week contest. The photo shows Niagara Falls in the winter time. The Star Presidian is interested in printing your favorite photo. All you have

to do is bring it by our newsroom in building 37 and hope for the best. Photos are held until they are printed and then returned to their owners. If you are interested and have any question call 561-3908.

Some veterans can get dental care

Veterans who were prisoners of war (POW) for six or more months may now get dental care through the veterans administration.

According to VA officials, former POWs may have suffered irreparable dental damage during their imprisonment. Previously, dental treatment was limited to service connected dental problems.

Also eligible for VA dental care are veterans with service connected disabilities rated at 100 percent.

Veterans living in areas where VA health care is unavailable may be authorized to get treatment from private dentists under certain conditions.

Veterans who feel they qualify for these expanded benefits should contact San Francisco VA hospital for applications and assistance.

Other groups already eligible for VA dental care include:

- Veterans with service-connected dental conditions which meet VA eligibility requirements

- Veterans who apply within one year of discharge for treatment of dental conditions which occurred in the line of duty

- Those with service-connected medical conditions which VA professionally determines to be aggravated by a dental condition

- Certain veterans in VA rehabilitation programs

- Veterans of conflicts before World War I, whose dental conditions are presumed to be service-connected

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Vehicle check catches misuser

by Tom Tiernan

A crackdown on the misuse of government vehicles has resulted in four drivers receiving citations, according to SSgt. Preston Glover of the operations section of the Provost Marshal's office.

The four drivers were among 29 others stopped during spot checks which began last week.

Glover states that only one of the drivers was cited for misusing a vehicle. The others received citations for either driving without a military driver's license or failing to have a trip log or dispatch ticket.

The crackdown on the use of official vehicles began after officials began spotting the cars and trucks parked at the commissary, PX, and in front of soldier's quarters and at other areas where they aren't allowed.

In an interview with the Star Presidian last

week, Mr. Bruce Terpstra, motor transport officer at DIO, explained that government vehicles may not be used for anything but official business.

"Official business does not include taking someone to the barracks or the mess hall, going home for lunch, going to the commissary or PX, or going to the hospital for appointments or on personal matters," Terpstra explained.

Although the MPs do not patrol off-post, Glover warns drivers not to be lulled into believing that they won't get caught.

If a patrol is returning from a run from Fort Mason, Glover cited as an example, and he sees a vehicle parked in a civilian establishment, he may either stop and if the driver is available and ask if he is on official business or simply take the vehicle number and return to post.

Once the MPs return to the Presidio, they'll contact the motor pool to see to whom the vehicle

was dispatched. Then the duty section will be contacted to see if the vehicle was being used for official business, if not a citation can be issued.

Glover points out that individuals who spot vehicles in areas where they shouldn't be, may take down the bumper and USA numbers and turn them in to the MPs who will follow the same investigating procedure.

"This isn't a hard and fast thing," comments Glover, "we deal in circumstances. We attempt to deal fairly with everyone and won't issue a citation until we know all the facts."

Drivers should be aware of what is and isn't official business and avoid getting themselves into possible trouble by being caught during a spot check.

The checks will continue indefinitely, Glover concluded.

DoD backs some increased compensation, opposes hikes in subsistence allowance

Both Congress and the Administration are coming to the realization that military compensation must be improved if the Armed Forces are to retain and recruit enough people, according to the Pentagon's top manpower official.

Robert Pirie, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics), noted during a recent interview that "our people are dedicated and very patient, but enough is enough." That message has been received very clearly, he added.

"I think people (in Congress and the Administration) realize we have to give a signal to the people in the Armed Forces that somebody here in Washington is concerned to insure that they do not suffer losses in purchasing power year after year," he said.

On the subject of extra pay raises for middle grade careerists, the manpower chief said such increases are in the cards for the future and would be helped by cutting out the present

link of military pay raises with those for civil servants since "civilian pay raises are likely to be constrained over the next few years."

He added, however, that entry level people and those in their first few years of service cannot be overlooked when it comes to pay raises, noting that entry level pay is now below the minimum wage.

He also said, "We want to avoid a system of pay compression where people don't have any real attractive pay raises for the first five or six years."

Pirie predicted passage of a bill authorizing a variable housing allowance which would be a separate appropriation, not part of regular military compensation. The bill provides for amounts in addition to the basic housing allowance for people living in high cost areas.

Among the other compensation-related topics discussed by Pirie during the interview were:

- A cost of living allowance (COLA) for single

people living in barracks or dormitories overseas which was turned down by Congress last year but which, he said stands a better chance of passage this year;

• The 7.4 percent pay increase proposed in the FY 1981 budget which, he noted, is not a pay cap and could go up if the index on which military compensation is based goes up more than 7.4 percent;

• A proposal to increase PCS mileage allowances from 10¢ per mile to 18.5¢ per mile;

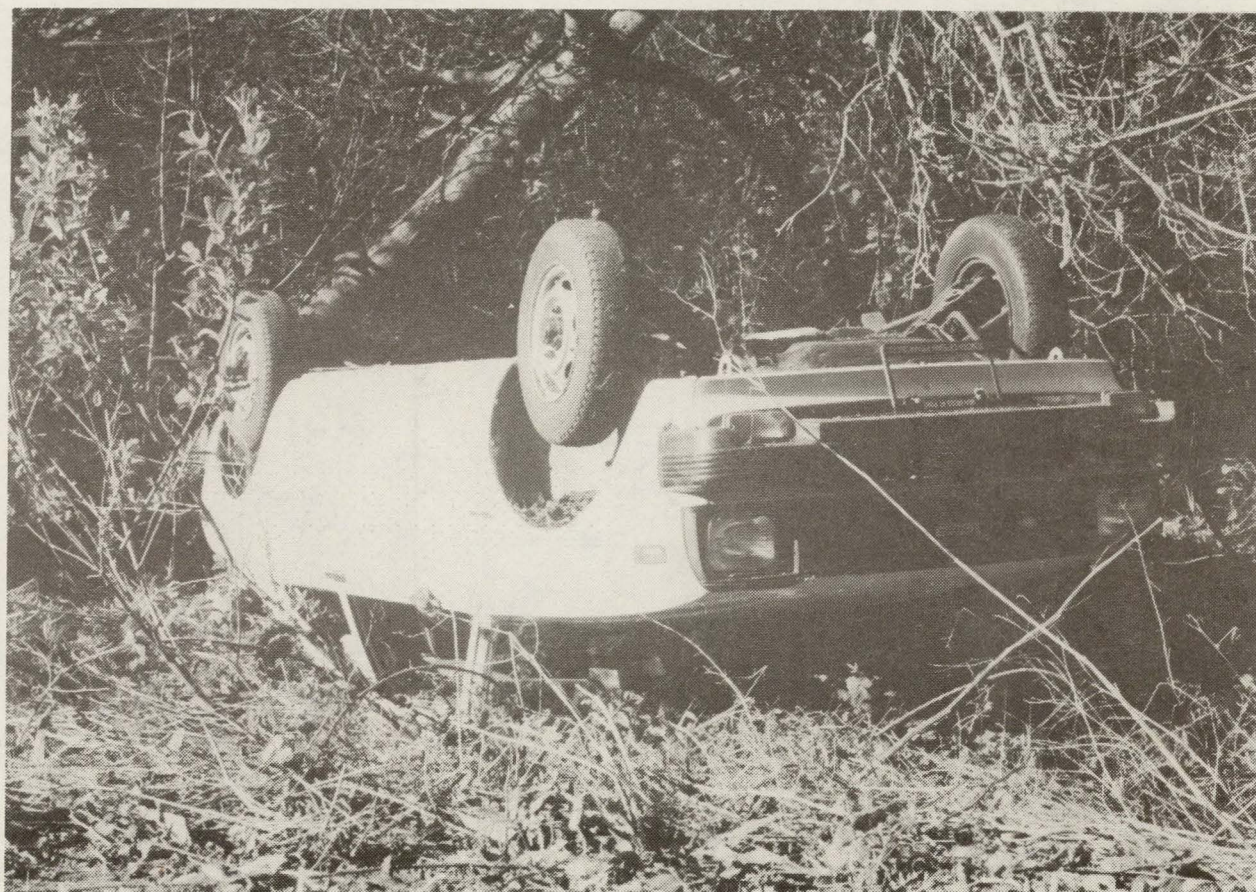
• A proposal in the FY 1981 budget to add per diem allowances to mileage allowances for PCS moves;

• A proposed increase in compensation for the cost of moving mobile homes during a PCS move which, he says, has a better chance of passage this year than in the past.

Pirie did note that DoD has resisted increasing subsistence allowances and this position is not likely to change. (AFIS)

Car goes bottoms up, driver escapes unharmed

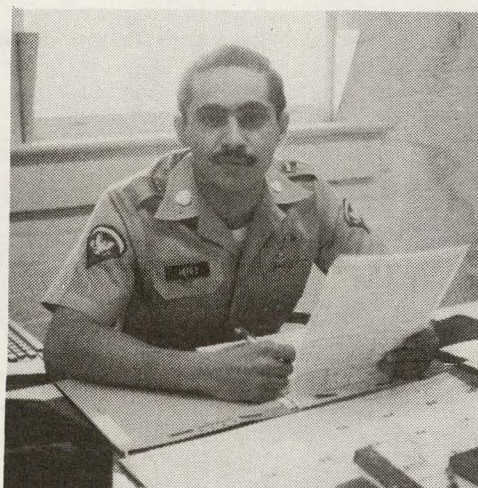
This 1980 Toyota rests on its top after flipping over during an accident on West Pacific Ave. Fortunately the driver was not injured. Cause of the wreck is under investigation by the Military Police. (Photo by Ken Juber)



Ramblin' Sam

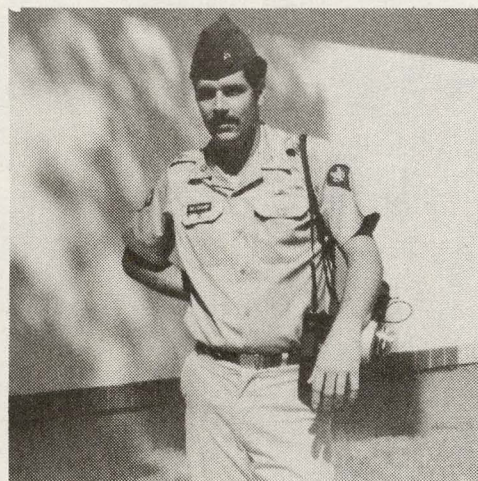
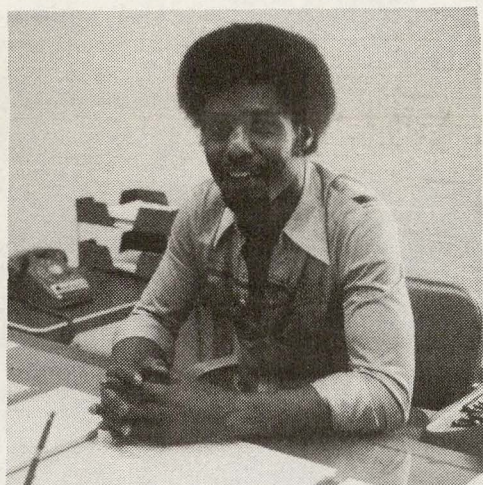
How can the civilian-military relation ship be improved?

Lt. Col. J. C. Burke, Director RCS—"Much of the civilian population is unaware, what the Armed Forces' purpose is during peace time. A strong public relations campaign involving all military personnel is necessary to properly inform all who we are and our purpose."



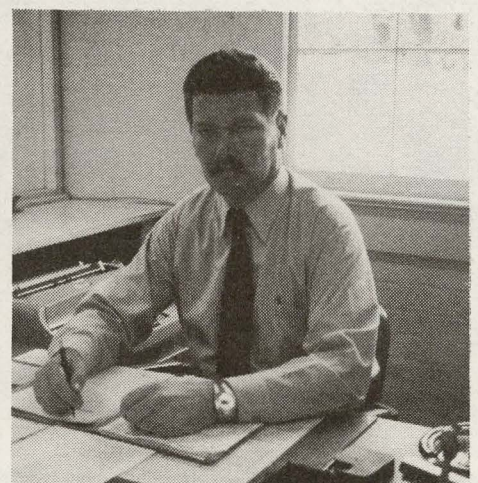
SP5 Jose Perez, Welcome Center—"Civilians and the military can better understand one another by being honest and taking down all barriers between us. Civilians have to understand that we are not here because we can not cope with civilian life. The military personnel perform in their specialized job as well as training to defend our country."

Lawrence Jackson, Out Processing Clerk, Welcome Center—"By being aware of what each others functions are regarding the operations of the new modern Army and by taking more interest in the civilian community and visa versa."



SP4 Mike Willoughby, Photo Lab—"Both the military and civilian population should reach a certain medium in understanding each others' situation on and off the job"

Sgt. Parker Scott, Control element supervisor—"I believe in the "Team Concept". All military and civilian personnel must realize we must work as a team to preserve our nation's peace. We are free now, but we must work together to protect that freedom."



Reader Opinion

I protest closing

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to an article published on the front page of the March 14, 1980 Star Presidian. Surely the article entitled "CPO branch closed to visitors" was just published as an early April Fool's joke. I cannot imagine anyone authorizing the recruitment and placement branch of CPO to close every day at noon.

I am sure that many offices are understaffed and overburdened but does that mean that we can all close and noon and not be responsive to the activities or units we serve?

What happens to the individuals who work from 4 p.m. to midnight? Are they expected to leave their homes at 8 a.m. and come in to the post to visit CPO? This extra trip certainly helps the OPEC nations sell more oil.

Civilian personnel is here to serve personnel on the Presidio. I was not aware, however, that this was to be at their convenience. I feel that this matter definitely needs to be reconsidered or we as civilians should make our complaints known to whoever can correct this new policy.

James G. Payton

For better service

Dear Mr. Payton,

The recruiting and Placement Branch of the CPO, not the entire office has had to adopt the noon closing policy for several reasons.

Since this branch is responsible for making critical qualification rating determinations, it is important that they be completed as quickly as possible. A recent survey indicates our inability to accomplish these actions in a timely manner due to the large number of interruptions caused by telephone calls or personal visits without appointments.

To help ease this situation at other posts, our counterpart CPO's have adopted the noon closing policy

and found that it has increased the timely processing of important functions and documents such as the processing of pay raises and determining an employee's job qualifications.

Those employees who come to work after the noon closing, or need to visit on an emergency basis can be seen by calling the receptionist desk at 561-5732.

I regret any personal inconveniences this policy has or may cause, however, I feel certain that it will serve to enhance the timeliness and the quality of the service we offer to all civilian employees.

**Alex Reyes
Civilian Personnel Officer**

Good show museum

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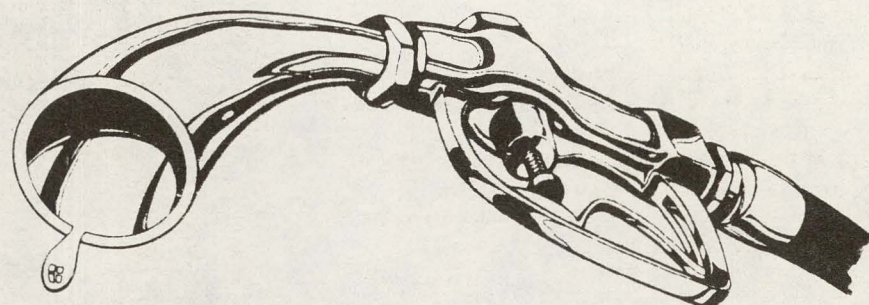
What a pleasure to visit the Presidio Army Museum!

On March 15, I took some visiting relatives to the museum, and I was excited and pleased with the many new items on display. I last visited the museum about three years ago,

and I was very pleased with the many changes which have taken place since my last visit.

I hope more individuals here on the Presidio will stop by and see the museum and not wait until they have visitors.

Barbara Eckstrom



Don't be fuel-ish

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Training geared toward new areas

(Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of eight articles.)

Soldiers, because of the restructuring of Army units and missions, **can expect unit training to be geared to combat in various environments**, according to "White Paper 1980."

Besides units dedicated to supporting NATO, the Army Chief of staff plans to have forces meant for non-NATO contingencies **"to fight and win quickly and decisively."** To do this, Meyer outlines four different 'force packages' designed to "meet the threat, accommodate the terrain, and avoid piecemeal commitment of inadequate forces."

Light infantry force packages, which will include air mobile/air cavalry units, are being looked at for missions in regions with moun-

tainous terrain, urban areas, tropical rain forest, and Arctic climates.

Another force package, the medium force, is being structured for rapid response worldwide. They will deal with armored threats until heavier forces arrive. According to Meyer, these tactically mobile forces should include air assault/air cavalry units and have light, mobile anti-armor capability.

Rapid deployment heavy force packages will have missions in desert and dry grassland areas such as those found in the Persian Gulf and Middle East. In addition, Meyer says these heavy forces must be able to deal with other threats outside central Europe.

The final force structure the general foresees for the Army of the 80's is a balanced force package for fighting in areas with both inaccessi-

ble or mountainous regions and dry grassland areas or broad armor avenues of approach. Meyer says select light infantry elements, armor formations, air, and armored cavalry units should make up the balanced force package. He adds that the special abilities of the other military services will help determine the exact force needed for a specific operation.

The further development of fast sealift ability and some form of limited prepositioning of equipment will be necessary for the idea of rapid response forces to be possible, explains Meyer.

These force packages, the Army Chief says, must be "capable of the full range of combined arms operations to carry the fight to the enemy, quickly dominating the battlefield, and decisively defeating the opponent in a highly mobile environment."

E-3 promotion picture grows brighter

More E-3s can now be promoted, according to SFC Ronald Marshall of the personnel management section of COMPACT.

A new way of determining the number of E-4s allowed will raise the number of promotions to that grade Marshall said.

Previously, 70 percent of the total number of E-3s and E-4s assigned to a unit could be E-4s.

Now, **E-3s with less than 15 months service will not be considered in determining the**

number of E-4s authorized, because these soldiers don't have the minimum time in service required for promotion to E-4 with a waiver, Marshall explained.

Along with this change, 80 percent of the total number of E-3s and E-4s with at least 15 months service may now be E-4s. Also, 20 percent of the E-4s can be in the waiver zone (15 to 23 months).

Because of these changes, a DA spokesman

said, the number of promotions allowed in April could increase by about 5,000 world-wide. March figures can be recomputed based on the new system and units may be able to promote more E-3s.

Promotions to E-4 authorized by enlistment contracts and the "Stripes for Skills" Program will continue to be honored and are exempt from these restrictions.

Easter services and events announced

Presidians will begin their observance of Easter with religious services this evening to commemorate Good Friday.

Catholics will celebrate the Lord's passion and receive communion beginning at 5 p.m. in the Chapel of Our Lady. The Stations and Veneration of the Holy Cross will follow at 7 p.m. Confession will be held immediately after the last service.

The **post Chapel Choir** will present their **Easter concert tonight** during the **Good Friday Tenebrae Service** at 7 p.m. in the post chapel.

Tomorrow **confessions** will be heard in Chapel of Our Lady from 3-5 p.m. with **Catholic Easter Vigil Service** to follow at 7 p.m.

The annual **Easter Sunrise Service** will begin at 7 a.m. Sunday in the **Post Chapel Memorial Gardens Patio**. Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ernest Peck will speak on the subject, "Don't miss out on living." Music will be provided by the chapel choir and the Sixth Army Band.

Regular Protestant and Catholic services will be conducted at their normal times at all post chapels.

The post chaplains will sponsor their annual **Easter Breakfast** in the **Religious Education Center** from 8 to 11 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend. The meal is a "freewill donation."

The post will host a number of other Easter related activities this week.

On **Saturday**, the **post Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at 10 a.m. **El Polin Springs**, located at the end of MacArthur Blvd.

Over 1,000 brightly colored eggs will be hidden to be found by children ages three through 12. The eggs are being prepared by the Presidio Brownies and Junior Girl Scouts.

There'll be 12 gold and silver eggs which will earn the finder a filled Easter basket as a prize. Four baskets will be given in three age categories; six and under, seven to nine year olds, and 10 to 12 year olds.

All children of active duty soldiers and retirees are invited to participate.

The **Presidio Officers' Club** will feature two Easter Sunday buffets.

A **Champagne Brunch Buffet** will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Later in the day a buffet featuring **Prime Rib** and **free Easter baskets** for children will be held from 5 to 8 p.m.

Reservations are recommended for both buffets and can be made by calling 561-4260 or 4269.

The **San Francisco USO** will offer a **free Easter dinner** from noon to 8 p.m. at its new location, 530 Taylor St.

The meal will feature hams, vegetables and salad.



I want it

Patrick Tiernan received an early visit from the Easter Bunny and seems determined to have an early look at his goodies. The furry white rabbit will hop through the Presidio

tonight leaving lots of eggs at El Polin Springs where at 10 a.m. tomorrow children ages 3 through 12 can join in the hunt for the goodies. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Is Claud Kelly a hated man?

by Tom Tiernan

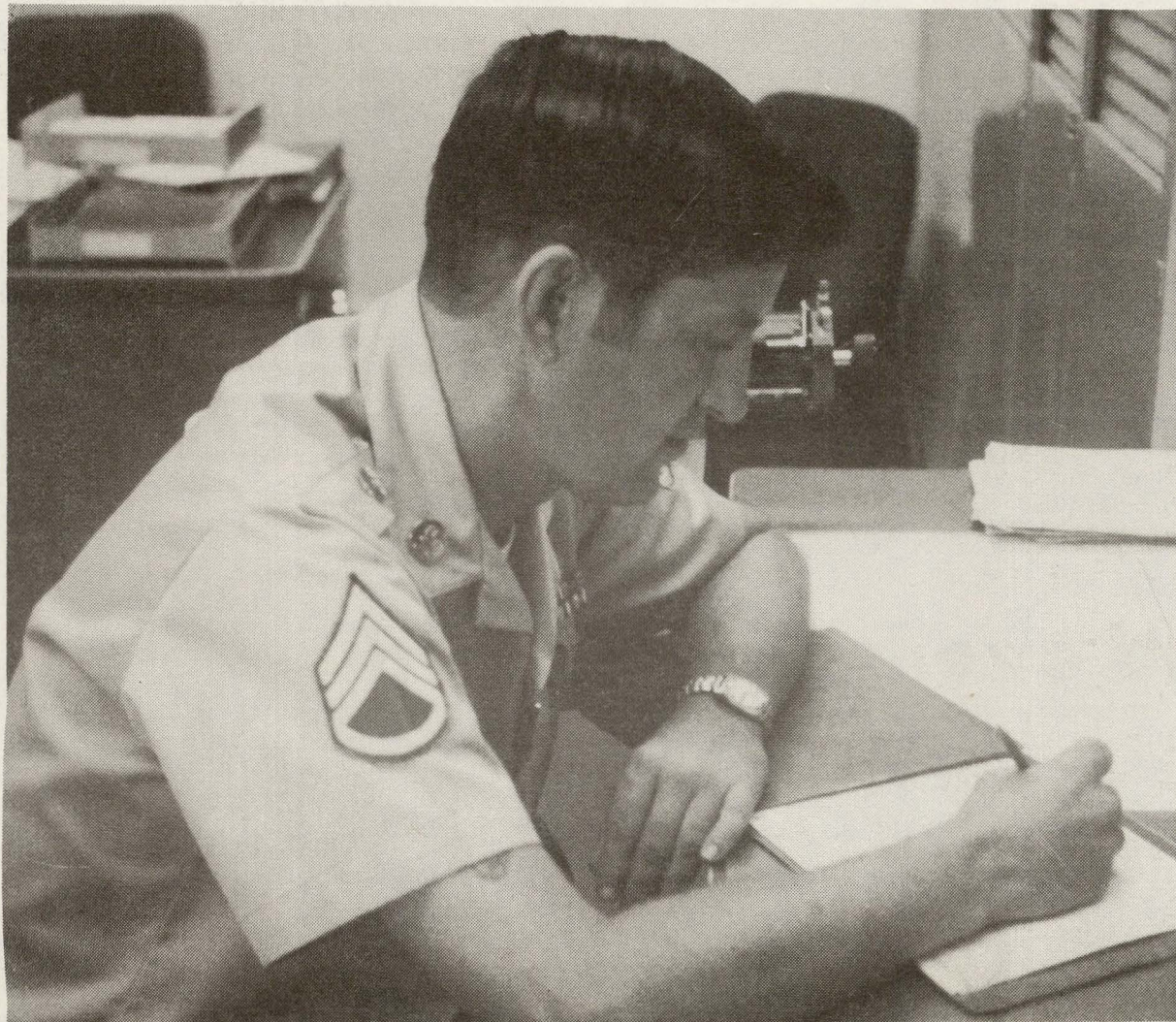
To the soldiers assigned to Headquarters Company, USAG, SSgt. Claud Kelly is often compared to Snidely Whiplash and has earned the honorary title of "Most hated man in USAG."

Responsible for preparing the duty rosters for the unit, Kelly laughs and says he really doesn't think that the soldiers in his unit hate him. "It's just that I'm the focal point because I'm the one

who puts them on duty they don't want."

The Oswego, New York native doesn't enjoy putting people on detail, but does get satisfaction out of other aspects of his job as operations sergeant for the unit.

Kelly is frustrated most often by the large number of changes which must be made in the guard duty roster. "Because of the number of people on the roster, it takes a number of changes before we get it settled."



Eenie, meanie, . . .

SSgt. Claud Kelly, operations NCO for Hq. Co. USAG, prepares the duty roster for the upcoming month. A 12 year Army vet Kelly is

often called the most hated man in USAG, but is well liked by his fellow soldiers. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

A 12 year Army vet, Kelly is also frustrated when the unit is tasked with additional details. "Our soldiers have enough details as it is," he commented.

Despite what many soldiers feel, Kelly doesn't put people's names on the duty roster to harass them or because he doesn't like a person.

"There really is a system to preparing the duty roster," explains Kelly. "Soldiers are listed alphabetically by rank and then given a number. Soldiers with the largest number pull duty first. When the first group pulls duty, they are given a smaller number."

Although Kelly explained the system in simple terms, it is very complicated and affected by other factors such as leaves and TDY's.

Kelly must maintain seven different rosters which makes his job even tougher. And once the rosters are done that doesn't necessarily mean they won't be changed.

The operations sergeant is flooded by calls from soldiers and supervisors trying to get duty changed or trying to get a person out of a duty. "I can't and won't change it unless the company commander says it's okay. It's my job to see that all soldiers pull their fair share of the duties. Nothing would make me happier than to see some of these duties done away with, but until that happens, everyone has to pull his weight."

Although his job is unpopular with the soldiers in his unit, the 37 year old grandfather is really liked by the soldiers he has to put on the duty roster because when possible he tries not to over burden them.

"I'm familiar with the situations in the duty sections and when we have additional details, I try not to overburden them by taking soldiers away when there aren't enough soldiers there," Kelly emphasized.

In addition to running the duty rosters, Kelly also assists in the supervising in-processing into the company.

Even if the soldiers of Hq. Co. USAG wanted to, they won't have Kelly to "kick around" much longer because he'll be heading for a new assignment in Korea this October.

CPO director sees changes ahead

"The Army is a leader in federal personnel management because we have always successfully maintained high program standards," said Fredric Newman, the Army's director of civilian personnel.

The Army is justly proud of its record as a concerned employer of over 400,000 American and foreign national appropriated and nonappropriated fund civilian employees who work worldwide in 800 different occupations. The department's achievements in planning and evaluation, labor relations, career management, training and development, and position management have served as models for other federal agencies.

"Today's business is not as usual," says Newman, dramatic revisions of policies affecting performance appraisal and pay systems, the Affirmative Action Program, and union negotiations, among other areas, face all federal agencies.

Going even beyond these key reforms, the pace of change continues to accelerate in response to the changing needs of the federal service, the Army, and employees. Newman cites several federal and Army personnel management developers which are "altering the landscape" of Army development.

Newman's staff is developing a new official performance appraisal system better suited to selecting employees for later career assignments. One improvement currently under examination will integrate performance appraisals and career appraisals of employee potential.

An important legislative proposal for federal pay reform sent to Congress last year would link pay to prevailing local salaries and wages in specific areas. According to Newman, a national GS pay scale would be set, the base index being 100. Then if prevailing compensation in one area were set at 105, for example, federal employees there would be paid five percent more than the national scale. On the other hand, in an area indexed at 95, employees would receive five percent less than the national scale.

Newman predicts that flextime will be used more in the future at Army installations. He cautions, however, that flextime arrangements must not reduce organizational productivity and efficiency, and should not be considered an employee entitlement.

In some cases, Newman says, the effect of change has been to renew and reinforce emphasis on areas of traditional concern to the Army. One area of concern has been the increase in involuntary separations as the size of

the Army work force continues to decline. Newman used these figures to illustrate: of all Army employees affected by reduction-in-force (RIF) in 1973, 94 percent were placed in other positions, resigned voluntarily or retired. The other six percent were involuntarily separated. By 1979, however, the percentage of employees involved in RIF actions who were separated involuntarily had risen to over 15 percent. Newman believes the primary reason for this increase is that, as the size of the Army work force continues to decrease, it becomes more and more difficult for employees affected by a RIF to be placed in other Army jobs.

To reduce the impact of a RIF, the Army makes every effort to reassign employees within the Army, DoD and other federal agencies. They may have to take lower grades, but most employees placed in other jobs continue to receive their current salaries. Those employees who are eligible may choose "early out" retirement rather than continue further employment.

In this period of rapid change in all areas, Newman is confident that, with the help of everyone involved in civilian personnel management as well as all employees, the Army will continue to maintain its high standards of civilian personnel management. (ARNEWS)

Scholarship available to post youth from Wives Club

The Enlisted Men's Wives Club is now accepting applications for their annual scholarship.

The \$500 scholarship is open to all dependents of enlisted and officers assigned to the Presidio and its sub-posts.

Applications may be picked up at ACS, LAMC and the post library. The deadline for applying is May 5.

The application contains a three page fill-in questionnaire, and must be submitted along with

a short essay written by the applicant.

The applications will be judged for sincerity, need and scholastic standing. For further information please contact Juanita Neal, 561-6234 or Anita Evans, 561-2463.

Murphy supports a lot of people

by Bob Mahoney

Frank Murphy supports a lot of people. Murphy is Deputy Director of Reserve Component Support at the Presidio, a position he has held since it was established in 1973. His office is responsible for various support functions for Army Reserve units throughout northern California and Nevada.

"Our support to the units relates to programs, budget, operations and training," according to Murphy. "We also provide mobilization and facility support to some 380 units manned by a total of 7,500 people engaged in combat service and combat service support activities."

The DRCS is also responsible for the payroll of Army reservists throughout the 15 western states, giving the section a budget in the vicinity of \$32 million.

A retired lieutenant colonel, Murphy has been supporting reserve activities as a civilian since he started working with Sixth Army in 1964. "It is the responsibility of all of us to support the reserves," says Murphy. "That's not only what DRCS is all about but every person at the Presidio has a responsibility either directly or indirectly to support them."

His support for people has taken Murphy beyond the confines of his office. Two years ago, he and his wife, Anne, founded the "Giants Fan Club," a non-profit organization which raises money for the direct benefit of handicapped people in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The organization's proceeds go towards the purchase of tickets for the handicapped to home games of the San Francisco Giants. Murphy proudly claims that "Willie McCovey is our honorary president."

"My brother back in New York is a victim of cerebral palsy," says Murphy, who serves as the club's secretary/treasurer. "He and Anne are very close. A few years ago, she thought that someone should do something for people such as my brother and others who could not attend the games in person, for shut-ins or invalids. And that's how the club started."

In the two plus years since the club's inception, more than 2,000 people have benefited from the \$5.00 membership fee. "The Giants," says Murphy, "Have given us good seats between the dugouts and the experience of being with these people at the ballgames gives us great satisfaction and gratification. I can see us bringing up to 1,000 people by the end of the 1980 season."

The Murphys are season ticket holders for Giants games. "Our seats are right down in front so we get to talk to a lot of the ballplayers from the Giants and from the visiting teams," said Murphy with a smile. "We've taken the opportunity to talk to these players about the fan club. Right now, our talking has resulted in the Dodgers, the Expos and the Reds thinking

seriously about adopting similar programs in their home cities."

Although Murphy picks the Giants for a third place finish this year, the real winner will be those who benefit from Murphy's sincere desire

to support people. "Our only restraint is money," concluded Murphy.

Whether it is for the Reserve Components serviced by DRCS or handicapped people of the Bay Area, support is Frank Murphy's middle name.



A friendly exchange

Frank Murphy talks to Pete Britten, Public Information Officer, about joining the Giants Fan Club. Murphy and his wife, Anne,

founded the organization to assist handicapped persons in getting to see the San Francisco Giants' games. (Photo by Bob Mahoney)

Clowning around earns money for kids

Heather, Barbara and Cara Mitchell enjoy a moment with a clown during last weekend's bazaar held to raise funds for the Presidio Day Care Center. The clown is really Dee Houck, a secretary in the command group at Sixth Army. (Photo by Ken Juber)



Time to spare

If the warm weather continues as predicted Sunday should be a great day for being outdoors and doing something special.

If you aren't interested in traveling too far then a visit to **Fort Point** might be in order. Built during the Civil War, the fortress is located just under the Golden Gate Bridge. It offers not only a peek at the Army of the past but also some unique views of the bridge and the San Francisco skyline.

Let's not forget the **Presidio Army Museum** which will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Not only does the facility offer a glimpse of the Army's history to also that of the city of San Francisco.

If a leisurely stroll is what you have in mind, then consider a **walk along the ocean from Fort Mason to Fisherman's Wharf**.

The walk takes you through Fort Mason, part of which now belongs to the National Park Service, from where millions of soldiers departed and returned from assignments in the Pacific during World War II. The old warehouses on the piers are now filled with a variety of music studios.

The walk along shady paved paths offers spectacular views of Alcatraz, the Golden Gate Bridge and the city. One interesting site is a portion of a ship sticking out of a cement wall.

The walk also takes you past the Maritime Museum and a number of historic ships. All of which are open to the public for a small fee.

Just behind the museum is Ghiardelli Square with its various shops and restaurants.

This area is also noted for the many street artists who perform for the nickels, dimes and quarters passers-by are willing to part with.

Also along the walk is the Cannery with its shops, stores and eateries. Across the street is even a wine museum.

It's a nice walk with lots to see and do.

If you're looking to take a little drive, you might consider heading across the Golden Gate and down through **Forts Baker, Barry and Chronkite**.

Once active military posts, these forts have largely been turned over to the National Park service. There hills and winding roads tend to obscure the big city and give one the feeling and peacefulness of the countryside. At the end of your drive, you'll find a nice beach.

If you'd like to get away from the Presidio altogether, then a trip north to the wine country might be worth the investment of time and gasoline.

Just follow highway 101 north and follow the signs to Napa and highways 12, 129 and 128.

More than 95 wineries are to be found starting at Cotati and going northward to Cloverdale, eastward to St. Helena and westward to Guerneville.

Not only does the drive offer you the opportunity to take in some beautiful country and quaint towns, but also a chance to taste some fine California wines.

Most wineries are open and give frequent

tours of their facilities followed by wine-tasting. In many cases there is no charge for the tour or the wines.

The Presidio Recreation Center will offer a number of trips and tours in the coming weeks.

An Alpine Meadow Ski Trip, for enlisted soldiers E-1 thru E-4, living in the barracks is scheduled for next weekend and April 25-27.

A payment of \$15 will confirm your a space on the trip.

A tour to **Hearst Castle** is available April 19, for all military personnel and dependents. Retirees and reservists may sign-up on a space available basis. Cost is \$6.

The **"Three in One"** tour will be conducted May 17 to the Acres of Orchids in South San Francisco; Winchester Mystery House and to San Jose and the San Jose Flea Market.

A **Sacramento River Cruise** is scheduled for May 31 at a cost of \$28.50. Cruise the Sacramento River and then tour "Old Sacramento." Interested parties are requested to sign-up by May 7.

The following discount tickets are available: **San Francisco Giants baseball, Marriotts Great America, Bay Meadows Race Track and Reno Hospitality Books.**

Box seat tickets for the Giants' opening game, all Sunday games, and one holiday game will be available for \$5.

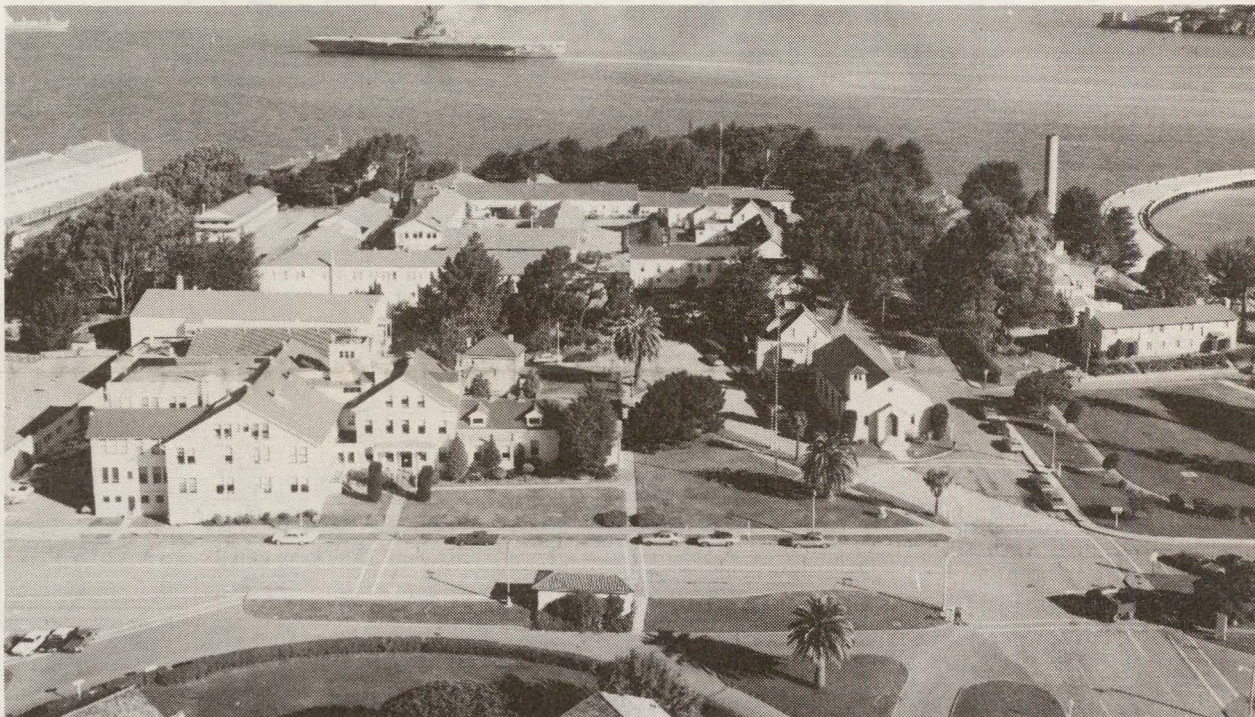
Movies

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Apr. 5	2 p.m.	The Apple Dumpling Gang Rides Again (G)
	7 p.m.	Same
Apr. 6	7 p.m.	The Electric Horseman (PG)
Apr. 7	7 p.m.	Same
Apr. 8	7 p.m.	Guyana: Cult of the Damned (R)
Apr. 9	7 p.m.	Silent Partner (R)
Apr. 10	7 p.m.	Same
Apr. 11	7 p.m.	Same
Apr. 12	2 p.m.	Hugo the Hippo (G)
Apr. 12	7 p.m.	Good Guys Wear Black (PG)
Apr. 13	7 p.m.	Saturn 3 (R)
Apr. 14	7 p.m.	Same
Apr. 15	7 p.m.	Hot Stuff (PG)
Apr. 16	7 p.m.	Prophecy
Apr. 17	7 p.m.	Roller Boogie (PG)
Apr. 18	7 p.m.	Same

Schwartz Theater (LAMC)

Apr. 7	7 p.m.	Rick Kids (PG)
Apr. 8	7 p.m.	Star Trek-The Motion Picture (PG)
Apr. 9	7 p.m.	The Exorcist (R)
Apr. 10	7 p.m.	The Concorde-Airport '79 (PG)
Apr. 11	7 p.m.	The Deer Hunter (R)
Apr. 14	7 p.m.	The Apple Dumpling Gang Rides Again (G)
Apr. 15	7 p.m.	The Electric Horseman
Apr. 16	7 p.m.	Guyana: Cult of the Damned (R)
Apr. 17	7 p.m.	Escape from Alcatraz (PG)
Apr. 18	7 p.m.	The Silent Partner (R)



On a clear day

This aerial view of Fort Mason shows not only the historic building on its grounds but also the great view to be had by walking through

the old post toward Fisherman's Wharf. If the weather is nice on Sunday, you might just give it a try.

Jewish Passover

Remembering the Israelites' flight from Egypt each spring

by Pete Britten

Spring is a beautiful season of the year and with its arrival comes the traditional religious festival Passover.

Passover or the Hebrew version, Pesach, began on Tuesday. This holiday commemorates the exodus of Israelites from Egypt and the bondage of slavery. The significant celebration signifies the "passing over" the Israelite house when every first-born child of Egyptian homes were condemned to death.

The festival which normally lasts a week is basically a home celebration. Customarily, the occasion begins with a complete cleansing of each house to rid the home of any "khametz." This refers to anything that has a leavening agent. An example of such a substance is yeast used to make fermentation or a rising effect of dough.

This "khametz" removal is a symbol of the bread eaten by Hebrew slaves as they fled to freedom from Egypt. Since the slaves left so quickly, they had insufficient time for their bread to ferment or rise.

Usually families use eating utensils especially

reserved for Passover. If regular utensils are used, they must be appropriately "koshered" or fit for Passover. This process amounts to scalding pots, pans, dishes and silverware in boiling water while baking items of metal material must be heated by broilers or through fire and spits.

The head of the household, who traditionally is the father, does the final act of cleansing. He performs a search for leaven by collecting a sample of crumbs using a goose quill and a wooden spoon. His search is consummated with a prescribed blessing and occurs on the evening before Passover.

After the blessing is said, Passover continues with ritual, song and food within the context of a set "order." This "order" or "Seder" is the means through which the liberation story of Hebrew slaves is recounted and shared with the faithful of today's generation.

The "Seder" takes place on the first two nights of Passover as a special family affair. On both nights, the saga of the exodus is read from the Haggadah or the book with contains the narra-

tive. The father ordinarily narrates this information to his family and friends.

Symbolic to the "Seder" is the meal. Three whole matzos or unleavened bread especially eaten at Passover are placed on a dish covered with a napkin. These represent the three categories of Israelites, the Priests, the Levites and the laymen. The plate also contains "moro", bitter herbs representing the hard experience of bondage in Egypt. "Charoses", a conglomeration of nuts, apple and wine underscore the mortar the slaves used to build the ancient pyramids. "Karpas" or parsley is indicative of the festive nature of the meal.

Rabbi William Z. Dalin, auxiliary chaplain for the Presidio and Letterman Army Medical Center summed up the significance of Passover. "This festival has very deep relevance and meaning in history and in the present for all humanity on a universal basis," he said. "We continue to pledge ourselves to the cause of liberation against slavery. Our collective hope is for the redemption of all human beings from poverty and oppression in an ecumenical sense."

Sports

Moore 'runs' away with crown

The Post Roadracing Championship was conducted last week under very pleasant conditions on a hilly five mile course. Over fifty runners started and a new champion emerged from the pack—Jim Moore of LAIR.

The new champ set a course record of 28:03 during the demanding, yet scenic run.

The first two miles of the course were mostly uphill to the Fort Scott area from Gym No. 1. It then ran along flat Washington Blvd. to the Arguello Gate, then proceeded up and down West Pacific Ave. to Lover's Lane (near Presidio Gate). Moore opened up on the long half mile downhill passing Jay Gerhig who finished first in the open division.

Moore had prepared for the race by running 10 miles on post three days earlier in a near personal best. He was also first in the submaster category (30-39 years).

Leading the masters section (40 and over) was veteran runner Nick Ninos, LAMC. His steady pacing prevailed over improving Larry Hagler, LAIR.

The women's winner was a repeater, Rebecca

LaBissoniere of LAIR. Her fluid form and even pacing lead her to victory. Special mention is warranted for talented Valiere Coppes also of LAIR, who is the top female civilian runner on post who recorded a swift time over the route.

While the runners recovered and basked in the sun, post commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, presented the awards to the various categories.

Top finishers are as follows:

Open men (20-29)

Jay Gehrig, USPHS, 28:51

Tom Nemeth, LAIR, 29:33

Bill Boyd, USAG, 31:25

Submaster men (30-39)

Jim Moore, LAIR, 28:03

Reggie Humdy, LAMC 29:30

R. Ritter, LAMC, 31:37

Masters men (40 and over)

Nick Ninos, LAMC, 37:50

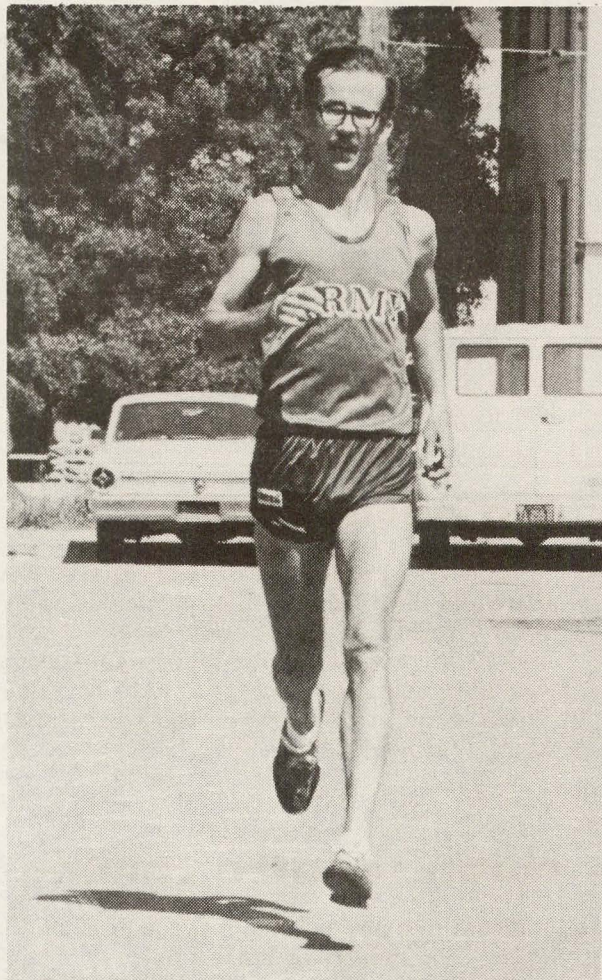
Larry Hagler, LAIR, 45:23

Herman Brown, ARR IX, 45:34

Open female

Rebecca LaBissoniere, LAIR 39:48

Eileen Mahoney, LAIR, 45:27



On the run

Jim Moore heads for home as the winner of the 1980 Presidio Road Race Championship. Moore set a record time over the five mile course. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

USAG still tops in volleyball

Going into the fourth week of volleyball action, HQ Co. USAG team, still remains undefeated with a spotless record of 14-0. Teams that remain within striking distance are USACIDC (10-2) and LAIR No. 1 (8-4).

In the Game of the week between the 504th MP's and LAIR No. 2, both teams put their winless records on the line, each team having com-

pleted an 0-8 record. The game proved to be as exciting to watch, with the score bandying back and forth.

Eventually the 504th MP's emerged the victors, easily winning the first game 15-4 and 15-5 and then outlasted their opponents in the second game 15-13 and 15-13.

Tennis tourney scheduled to select post team

The Sports Branch is about to conduct the "1980 Post Tennis Tournament".

The competition features singles play only. The tourney will be based on the double elimination process and all matches being the best two out of three sets to determine the winner of the match.

The nine point tie-breaker rule will apply when the score is 6-6.

Matches will be scheduled by the Sports Branch and will be played on the following successive weekends April 26-27 and May 3, 4, 10, and 11 at various courts on post.

Players must visit or call the Sports Branch office for time, court, and opponent.

The following finishers in the tourney will comprise the post team to go to the FORSCOM Tournament in June.

• **Open Division**, 33 years old and under the top four men and women.

• **Junior Vets Division**, 34-44 years old, top two men.

• **Senior Division**, 45 and over, top two men.

Region IX leads intramural golf

The post golf program is in need of players. If you're not presently participating in the intramural program, and you would like to play, or have a Northern California handicap of better than 15, please contact Jim Ragasa at 561-2070 or 5328.

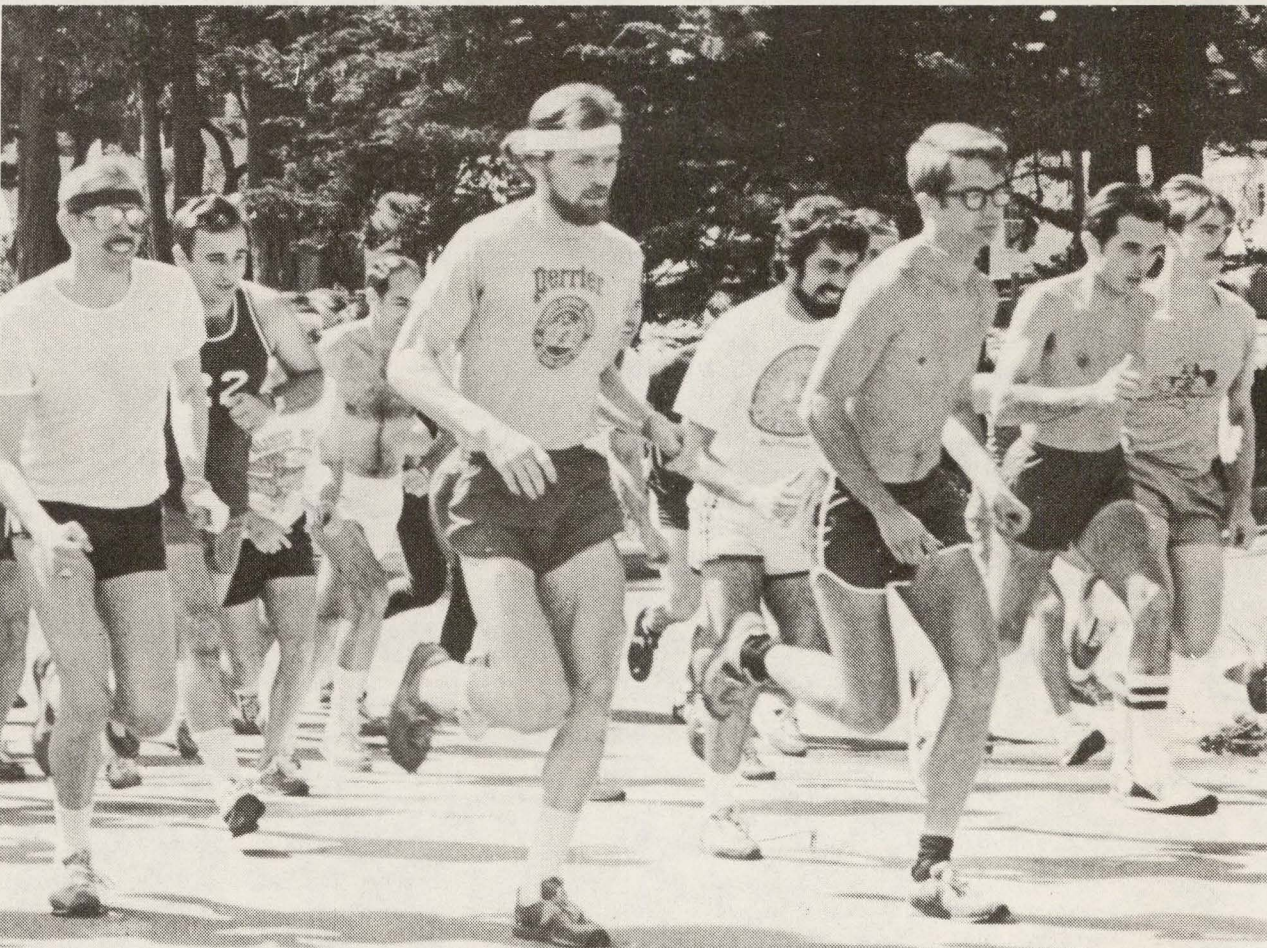
Any golfers who participate in the intramural golf program may play in the Northern California Golf League which meets at least once a month, in various golf courses throughout Northern California. Members of the league include Castle AFB, Mather AFB, McClellan AFB, Travis AFB, Beale AFB, Moffett NAS, and the Naval Post Graduate School. Team standings for the week are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost
Region IX	2	0
LAIR	2	0
6th Army	1	1
LAMC	0	1
WRRC	0	1
504th MP BN	0	2
HQ. Co USAG	0	1

Players needed

The 1980 post softball team is now being formed. Any active duty soldier wanting to participate should sign up at post gym No. 1, building 63.

The first day of tryouts will be on April 14 at the Fort Scott field.



Ready, set go

A large group of runners turned out for the 1980 running of the post roadracing championship. The winner of the race was Jim

Moore of LAIR. The race covered five miles starting at post gym number one (Photo by Karl Gaffney.)

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Volunteers needed

The American Red Cross at Letterman Army Medical Center **needs volunteers** in the clinics, the library, patient administration and other areas. If interested please call Mrs. Kay Smith at 561-2187, in the Red Cross office.

Auction to be held

The Presidio Officer Wives' Club will hold an **art auction** by a well known art gallery April 11 at the Presidio Officers' Club. Preview will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and the auction will begin at 8 p.m. An original oil painting will be given as a door prize.

Big garage sale

Both the **Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club** and the SF USO will be participating in the KYA "World's Largest Garage Sale" on April 12 and 13 to raise funds for their organization. If you have items or time to donate contact the Wives' Club at 561-3858 or the USO's Mr. Bill Morgan at 885-0234.

Noon theatre coming

Something new is coming to the Presidio Playhouse—live theatre at lunchtime.

"**Brown Bag Theatre**," from the Department of Theatre Arts at San Francisco State University, will present an hour-long version of "**The Mikado**," Gilbert and Sullivan's comic musical masterpiece. Performances will be given April 22, 23, and 24 at 11:45 a.m.

Free tickets will be available at the Playhouse Box Office daily from 1-5 p.m., except Sunday,

beginning April 16. Bring your lunch, or you may purchase a brown bag lunch in advance, prepared by the Presidio Officers' Club, to be picked up at the performance.

The \$3 lunch must be paid for no later than the day preceding the performance. Free coffee and punch will be available. For further information call 561-3992.

Seafood buffet set

The Presidio Officers' Club will sponsor a Shrimp a Peel and Alaskan King Crab Night April 16 from 5-9 p.m. For the cost of \$10.95 you can feast on a buffet including salad and vegetables. There will also be free beer tasting for all ticket holders. Reservations are required by April 14 by calling 561-4260 or 4269.

Red Cross plans classes

American Red Cross is in need of additional instructors in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, first aid and water safety.

Red Cross will be conducting the following CPR and first aid classes in April, 1980. Phone your Red Cross office 561-2187 to sign up to attend a class.

April 11—First Aid class from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
April 22 and 24—Double session CPR class from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Special meal planned

The Presidio NCO-Enlisted Club will feature a Seafood Buffet with Alaskan King Crab Legs plus roast beef and chicken all for \$8.95.

LAMC wives to gather

The Lettermen Wives' Club's monthly luncheon will be held on April 10 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fort Mason Officers' Club.

The featured speaker this month is Mr. Hank Dunlop, a professor of Interior Design and Architecture. He is involved with the restoration of Victorian and other historical structures. His talk will focus on the restoration of the San Francisco Victorians.

The luncheon will consist of soup and salad with a no-host bar and will cost \$7. Reservations can be made by calling Yvette Martinka at 561-7246 or Caroline Robbins at 472-2040 by April 7.

Wives to meet

The Presidio Men's Wives' Club will hold their monthly meeting, **Monday at 7 p.m. in the Girl Scout House**, building 566.

Ms. Claire Manhart of the Presidio Education Center will be the guest speaker.

Baseball sign-up set

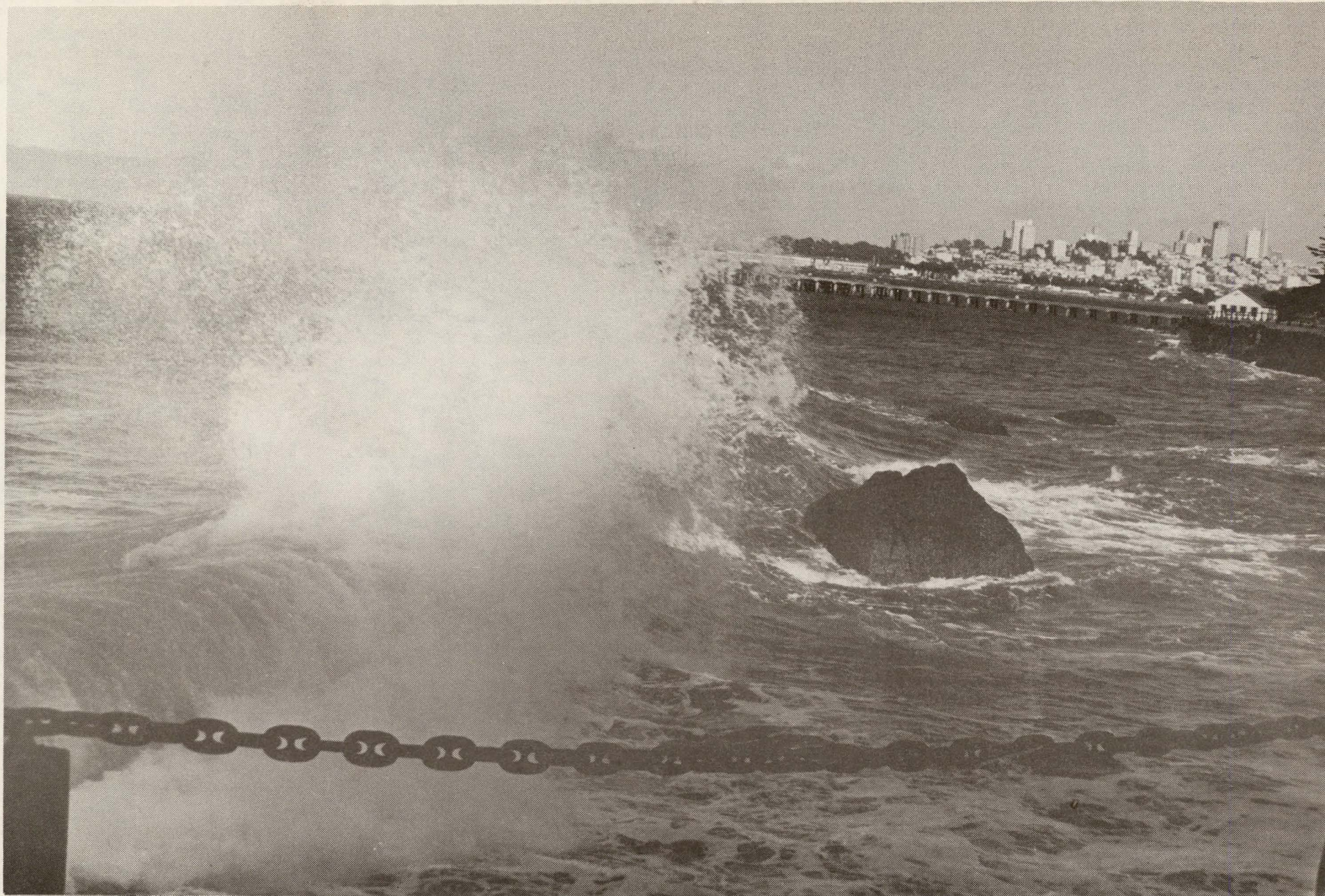
Registration of the youth baseball 1980 season will be held April 12 and 13 in post gym No. 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fees include \$3.50 per player or \$6 per family.

A birth certificate must be presented at the time of registration.

Tryouts will be held April 26 at Pop Hicks Field at the times shown below:

Age group	Try-out time
7 to 10	9 a.m.-noon
11 and 12	1-2 p.m.
13 and 14	2-3 p.m.

Anyone wishing or qualified to umpire DYA Youth Baseball is asked to contact Mr. Bart Porter at 561-5143.



Wave-ing at San Francisco

Sgt. Daniel Flanagan of INSCOM, caught this photo of a wave crashing in near Fort Point.

For his efforts, Flanagan is the winner of the Photo of the Week contest. Your photo can

appear here next week. All you have to do is drop it by our newsroom in building 37.

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Fort Baker to be launch site for historic cross country flight

Transatlantic balloonist Maxie Anderson and his son Kris will lift-off from Fort Baker tomorrow in their attempt to become the first persons to cross the United States in a balloon.

If weather conditions permit, the balloon will rise sometime between sunrise and noon to begin its eastwardly trip.

The senior Anderson is one of the three men who crossed the Atlantic Ocean in the balloon *Double Eagle II* in August 1978. Kris is an electrical engineering student at the University of New Mexico.

The Andersons will fly a 200,000 cubic-foot-helium-filled balloon named the *Kitty Hawk* to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' initial experiments at Kitty Hawk, N. C., where the two hope to touchdown in four days.

The flight by the Andersons follows a nearly successful crossing last September by the 216,000 cubic foot *Da Vinci* balloon. The *Da Vinci* flew from Tillamook, Oregon to Spencerville, Ohio

before being forced down during a thunderstorm after a flight of 2,003 miles.

"The *Da Vinci* flight revealed just how difficult a transcontinental crossing can be," Anderson said recently. "Finding a wind and weather pattern suitable for a successful crossing is a tough assignment."

The senior Anderson, who has flown gas balloons some 7,200 miles,—perhaps farther than any man in history,—is eager for the flight to get underway.

"It should be another great adventure," he says, "and a special treat for me since I will be making a major flight with one of my children, something I have always wanted to do."

"A crossing from the Golden Gate to Kitty Hawk, two of the countries most notable landmarks, would be a particular satisfaction. Landing near Kitty Hawk would commemorate, as did the *Double Eagle* flights, a truly great accomplishment in aviation history."

The *Kitty Hawk* will consist of a translucent

plastic envelope, 75 feet high and 75 feet wide at its equator. Attached via parachute rigging to a gondola about 100 feet below the tip of the envelope.

The gondola, 1115 feet, with a peaked top sloping to a height of about eight feet consists of a tubular metal frame covered with fiberglass and insulated to protect the pilots from the freezing temperatures expected when the balloon rises about 25,000 feet late in the flight.

The entire system with pilots and about 4,500 pounds of water and sand ballast will weight approximately 9,000 pounds at lift-off.

The projected flight profile should take the balloon to a height of about 14,000 feet during the first day and about 10 percent higher each succeeding day until the flight ends. The balloon will descend at night as the helium cools, necessitating that ballast be released.

If the flight is delayed until May, the launch site will be moved north toward the Oregon border to catch prevailing westerly winds.



It's all downhill

SSgt. Wayne Redmon, of Company D, 864th Engineers, demonstrates the Australian or city warfare style of repelling down a wall.

Redmon gave the demonstration to members of his unit as they prepare for some upcoming bridge work. (Photo by S. Spigelman)

Retiree recall plan revealed

About 900 regular Army retirees will be getting 'pre-assignment' orders to four stateside posts next month, DoD officials announced last week.

These soldiers will be given assignments to garrisons and hospitals at Fort Benning, Ga., Fort Carson, Colo., Fort Lewis, Wash., and Fort Riley, Kansas as part of a retiree recall and preassignment program.

The Army has developed a program to recall certain retired soldiers if they are needed in time of war or if a national emergency is declared by congress. This will release younger soldiers for deployment overseas, officials explained.

Under this program, no retirees are being recalled to active duty at the present time, officials stressed.

Selected retirees living in CONUS will be given orders during peacetime telling them when and where to report following a decision to mobilize, officials said.

So far, about 82,000 soldiers who retired within the last five years have been identified by the Reserve Components Personnel and Administrative Center (RCPAC) at St. Louis. RCPAC has gathered information needed to order these soldiers to active duty. Plans call for expanding this 'data base' to include another 130,000 soldiers who have been retired for five years or more.

As the pilot phase of the program begins, US Army Forces Command, major headquarters for Forts Carson and Riley, will seek volunteers for pre-assignment orders to those installations.

After the pilot phase is evaluated, officials say the program will be expanded in early 1981 to include all army installations in CONUS.

Retirees are broken down into three categories:

- Category I includes those who meet grade and age requirements, were not retired for permanent disability and have been retired less than five years.

- Category II includes those meeting the same criteria for category I but who have been retired for five years or more.

- Category III includes all other retirees.

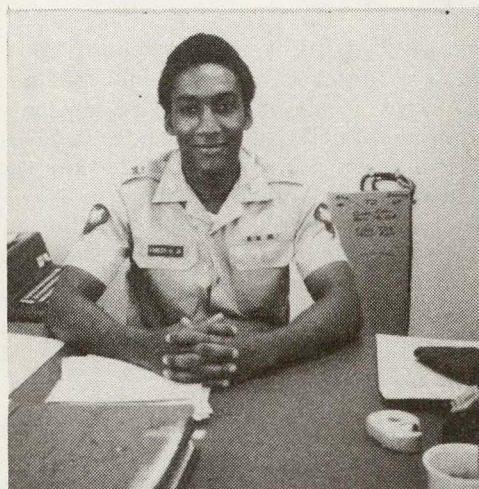
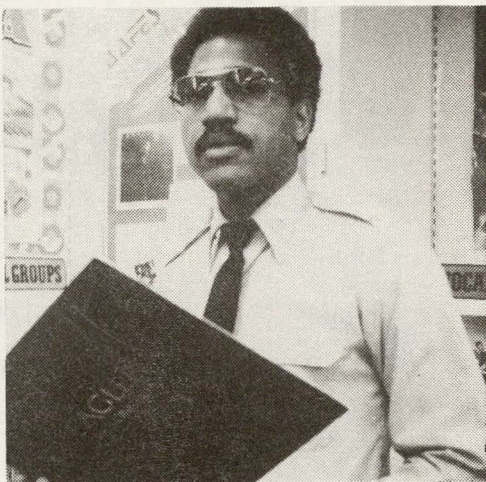
Grade requirements include commissioned officers who are at least O-2s, enlisted soldiers who are at least E-5s and all warrant officers.

General officers under age 64, warrant officers under 62 and all other soldiers under 60 are subject to recall, officials said.

Ramblin' Sam

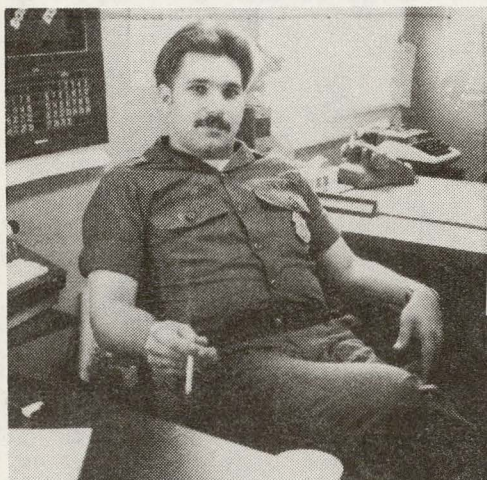
What do you think of the commissary?

Sp5 Jerry Rogers, PAO LAMC—"Service is excellent when it comes to the cashiers and baggers. But when an item is out of stock on the shelves, it's hard to find attendants to restock the item for you."



Sp4 Horace Parker, Jr., Compact EER—"The service is adequate and prices are reasonable, but I would like to see a greater stock of health foods in the commissary."

Pv2 Mark Dinning, USAG Mail Clerk—"They need more cashiers and stricter control of the express line which is 15 items or less. I believe SFC Clifford Brown is improving the commissary"



Sp4 Michael Perkins, 163rd MP Co.—"All cashiers should be open during the pay day period for faster service. I'd like to see a greater variety of oriental foods in stock. More shopping carts would also improve the service."

SSgt. Jeanette Melendez, LAMC—"Service is not very adequate due to the lack of shopping carts and not having enough grocery items in stock on pay day. The building of a new commissary would be a great service to the Presidio and its community."



An explanation

Dear Readers,

For the next two weeks you will be receiving a four-page Star Presidian.

For several months, the Star Presidian has been a one man operation with help coming from wherever possible. But that assistance has not been enough to off-set the loss of our reporter.

Even with a full staff, producing the Star Presidian is a hectic, but challenging job. But doing it alone, and pulling extra duty at Headquarters Company, USAG, have made

the task too much for one man.

Fortunately, a replacement is on the way and hopefully will arrive in early June. His addition will insure the continuation of the eight page Star Presidian. Until then, however, we will have four pages when other duties interfere with the timely production of the paper.

The decision has been delayed as long as possible and has been made only to provide the best possible product under these conditions. Please bear with us.

The Editor

Prepare for the storm

by Chaplain Robert Mask

There are people who are content in the idea that they live in a very small world. It's hard for me to understand how they can view the vastness of the sky without ever truly seeing it. When asked about the tragedy of being blind, Helen Keller said that "it was not half as bad as having two good eyes and never seeing anything."

As you look to the heavens and begin to consider the infinity of space, the idea is born in upon you that it must have been created by a great God with big ideas and unlimited abilities.

It is an easy thing to become pessimistic about the future as one reads about Three Mile Island, Iran, and our diminishing and wasted resources. Yet, as we realize God's greatness, the future appears less threatening in the knowledge that nothing can ever really defeat the will and purposes of the Creator.

As a young boy, I noticed some gigantic storms roar in over the Blue Ridge Mountain Summit in Maryland. It was a strange and uncanny feeling observing the dark, heavy clouds as they rumbled down the mountain side.

Again, in later years, the same kind of feeling was engendered at

the sudden approach of a great monsoon rain in Vietnam. It is almost as though the world is about to be destroyed.

And then, just as suddenly, the storm had passed, the mountains are green again, and the weather is beautiful. It is a fact that if one waits long enough there will be sunlight again. Sometimes we have problems and sorrows, which at times seem almost unbearable. Yet, as we come to realize the greatness of our Creator and his love for us, we gain courage and strength to face the future.

On the reverse side of the coin, it is true that there will not always be sunshine and gentle breezes. There is always the possibility of clouds and storms. The time to prepare for the storm is not after it hits, but before; during the good weather. And so it is with life. Right now things may be all peace and light for you. Just remember, there are storms that could come at any unsuspected moment.

It is as we come to know the greatness of the Creator, God, that our minds are expanded to a longer view of life. We view both sunshine and storm as integral parts of God's master plan.

Brooks is bad too

Dear Editor,

In the past few weeks, you have printed several letters about the condition of the Pershing Area.

Well although their complaints are well justified, how many of those people would actually pitch in to clean up the mess or help with the yard, if they had the chance.

I live in the Baker/Brooks area and it's just as bad as Pershing sometimes. Mostly it's the attitude of the tenants, not the Army, that keeps the area sloppy.

This area could be the nicest area on post. The problem is that when people get short, they stop watering or mowing the yards. Then they mow them just so they can clear.

The other half is the upstairs occupants. They seem to think all of the responsibility for area maintenance is the downstairs' chore, because their apartment doesn't actually touch the grass.

People should not have to be told by other occupants to help. They take for granted that someone else will do it, or as on Pershing, they are too busy complaining about the mess to pick it up. After all, if they thought about it, they could be living in a worse area (like Yakima, Wash.) or somewhere where there are no quarters available at all. Please take a little pride in what is available.

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Marines rescue soldiers'

Story provided by the Public Affairs Office Alameda NAS.

Remember the old cavalry charges you used to watch in every Western on television on Saturday morning? Did you ever wonder what would happen if the Army ever got into trouble?

Well, members of the 3rd Battalion of the 12th Special Forces Group, a reserve unit at Hamilton Air Force Base, found out when they were rescued by the Marines recently.

The special forces group had been planning to conduct a parachute drop during their March 23 drill. But at the last moment, the helicopters which were supposed to carry them into the sky were grounded, as was their back-up aircraft.

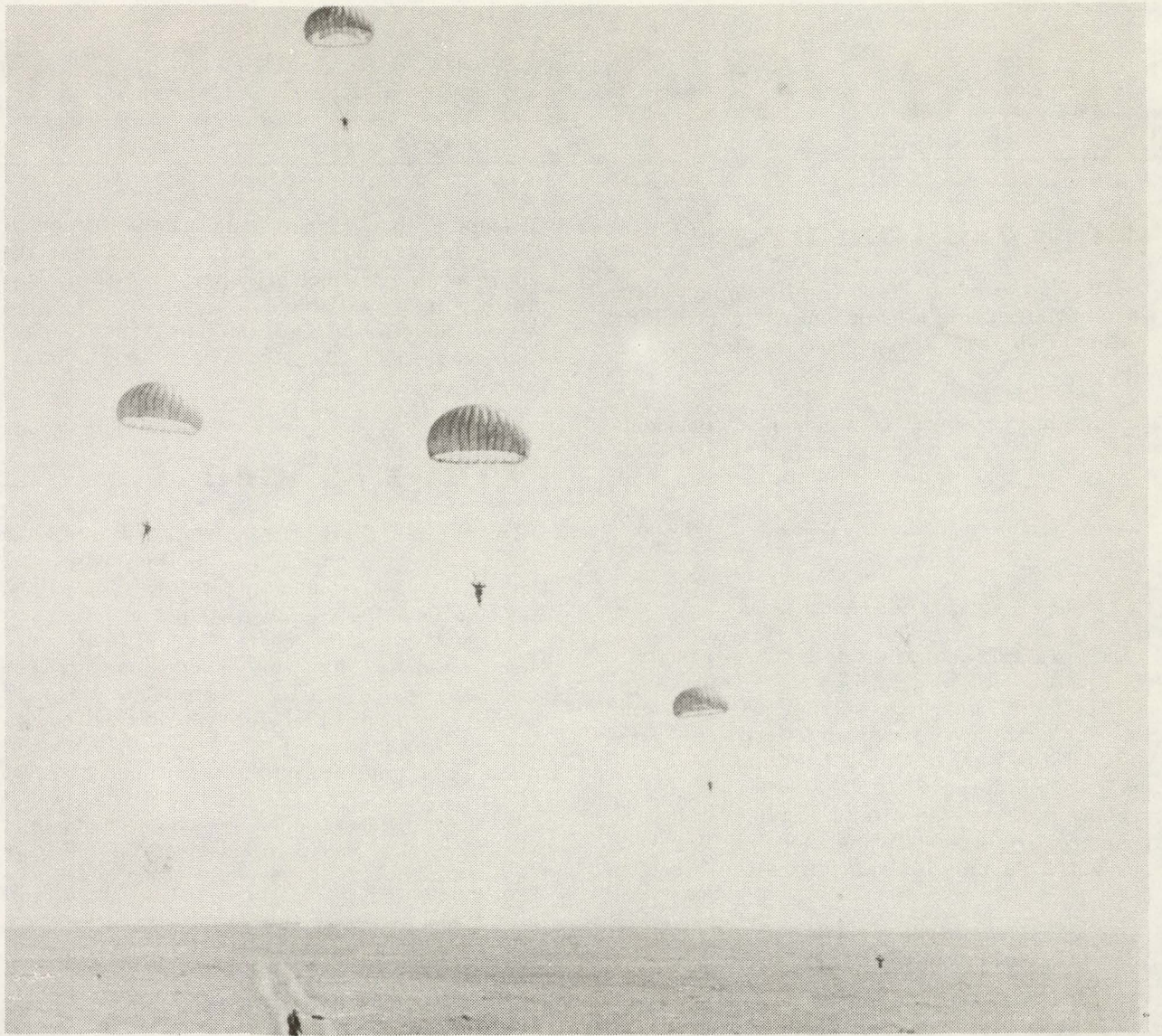
Two days before the operations, SFC Jim Boyt, training technician for the unit, found himself without a helicopter. On Saturday he contacted the Alameda Naval Air Station and was told that Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 769, also a reserve unit, was supposed to drill that weekend.

After getting the okay from the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing headquarters in New Orleans, things were all set for the next morning.

On Sunday morning, ten Army green berets boarded the Marine helicopter and received a briefing on how to jump from the aircraft.

The aircraft traveled to Wilton Drop Zone near Sacramento, where the rest of the special forces soldiers were waiting.

The entire operation went off smoothly, and the green berets returned to Hamilton with their annual recertification completed and the Marine reservists flew off into the sunset.



It's raining men

Members of the 12th Special Forces Group, a reserve unit at Hamilton Air Force Base, land on the drop zone after being "dropped" off by a Marine reserve helicopter unit. If the Marines hadn't come to the rescue, the unit would have had to cancel its training which

had been planned for several months. But on short notice the two units hooked up and everything came off smoothly and the jump helped cement a better understanding between the two services. (Photo by JO2 Michael W. McFarland)

White Paper '80

Staying power is essential

(Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series of eight articles).

"A key to winning the first battle, as well as the second and the last battle, is an adequate sustaining capability," states Gen. E. C. Meyer in his "White Paper 1980."

The Army's Division 86 study is the "vehicle for addressing such major force structure issues as the size of the division, its required admin./log capability, its aviation structure, and the allocation of responsibilities at each echelon," comments Meyer.

Division 86 will provide an objective force

structure from which a breakdown of the equipment and personnel needs for the 80's and beyond can be done, and follow-on decisions made, contends the general. He sees that "the functions of combat and support are interdependent" each is an integral part of the total combat power equation."

To build a force capable of fighting and sustaining itself, the Army must continue to improve and develop its support system.

He explains in addition to the Division 86 study, Army 86 studies are looking at the Light Division, the Corps, and higher levels of Army

organization. Army 86 studies focus on equipment and personnel needs of both the active Army and reserve components in the 80's.

Referring to the staying power needed for Army forces, the Army's top military leader states, "Maintenance, transportation and other services support gives us this needed dimension."

He asserts, the Army must be prepared to show how service support and staying power adds to our total battlefield capability.

"The sinews of support are a basic ingredient for the U. S. Army's combat muscle," comments the General.

Retirement rules change, allow 12 months notice

Soldiers with more than 18 years of service may submit their retirement applications a year in advance according to Mr. Ed Rosenback, of COMPACT.

Rosenback states that the change, which went into affect last week, allows soldiers with 18 years and 11 months active service to submit their retirement papers at that time, provided the requested retirement date is no later than the end of the month during which the soldier attains 20 years service.

"Members who have 19 years or more service, may also apply a year in advance," states Rosenback, "but the retirement date must not be more than 12 months from the date of the request."

Soldiers who receive an alert or orders to PCS may also submit their retirement papers if they meet the following conditions:

- The retirement application is submitted and approved within 30 days of receipt of notification of the alert or orders by the member.
- The member must have 18 years and 11 months of active service at the time of the receipt

of the notification for the PCS and the requested retirement day is on later than the end of the month during which the service member completes 20 years of service.

Rosenback explained that in the case of enlisted soldiers, notification of a PCS move must be written in accordance with DA Pamphlet 600-8-10.

For officers this may include a firm when/where written or oral assignment notification from a MILPERCEN career-assignment manager documented by a memo, letter or orders.

A 30-day grace period is currently in effect to allow those soldiers who may have received alert notification or orders prior to April 1 but who had 18 years and 11 months service on that day. This period ends April 30.

Soldiers who have cleared the Presidian but have not physically departed may submit their retirement application and will be attached for 10 days while Rosenback determines his eligibility and processes the retirement request.

Rosenback advises soldiers interested in this new opinion to contact him at 561-5076.

Second star for Baker

Brig. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, Letterman Army Medical Center commander has been nominated for promotion to major general, a Letterman spokesman revealed last Friday.

The Senate must first confirm the Presidential nomination before Baker adds his second star.

Baker, an avid runner, has been commander of LAMC since July 1978.

Bond give-away set

To celebrate National Library Week, the post library system is sponsoring two drawings to give away a total of four Series EE savings bonds.

You can register for the drawings April 14-19 when you borrow a book at the post or Letterman libraries.

Winners will be announced April 25.

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Car wash tomorrow

Presidio Boy Scout Troop 77 will conduct a car wash in the parking lot adjacent to the Post Fire Station (Bldg. 218) tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cars will be washed for \$1.50 and 25 cents for vacuuming. Vans will be washed at the same price as cars except that the roof will not be washed and vacuuming will be an additional 50 cents.

Theatre planned

Brown Bag Theatre, from the Department of Theatre Arts at San Francisco State University, will present an hour-long version of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic musical masterpiece "The Mikado" April 22, 23 and 24 beginning at 11:45 a.m.

Those interested in attending one of the performances are urged to bring their lunch, or you may purchase one in advance from the Presidio

Officers' Club and picked up at the performance. The \$3 lunch must be paid for no later than the day preceding the performance. Free coffee and punch will be available.

Free tickets will be available from 1-5 p.m., beginning April 16, at the Presidio Playhouse Box Office.

Parkos to visit

Dr. William Parkos, Academic Advisor from the University of Northern Colorado, will be at the Letterman Education Center, Bldg. 1007, April 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All present and prospective students are encouraged to see Dr. Parkos if they are interested in a Masters degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Health Care Administration which is offered in weekend seminars at Treasure Island.

For more information or to make an appointment to see Dr. Parkos, please call 561-3693 or Treasure Island 397-1079.

Recycling tomorrow

Volunteers from the **Presidio Recycling Center** will be picking newspapers and aluminum cans around post tomorrow.

Residents are asked to place these items by their doors so the volunteers can find them.

The center is open seven days a week for the drop off of newspapers and cans. Proceeds benefit Presidio youth activities.

Class sign up

An intermediate and advanced pottery (wheel thrown) class will begin April 22 and be held every Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six weeks. A fee of \$7.50 will be charged.

Active duty military are given priority, however, retirees, dependents, and DA civilians are urged to sign-up also. Stop by the post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

Sports

LAIR tops USAG

After five weeks of play Headquarters Company USAG team, still remains number one with a 16-1 record. Its only loss came from a very competitive LAIR No. 1 13-15, 15-12, 12-15.

Although LAIR No. 1 appeared to have the momentum in this heated contest, USAG proved why it is on top of the league, by quickly stifling any further thoughts of upsetting them a second time, winning 15-8, 15-7.

Tryouts set

The 1980 softball team is now forming, any active duty personnel wanting to participate, please sign up at Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63. The first day of tryouts will be on April 22 at the Fort Scott field.

Tennis tourney

Presidio Dependent Youth Activities is introducing a junior Davis Cup program for eligible youngsters ages 8 through 18. The program provides advanced training for youngsters, and an opportunity to participate in sanctioned NCTA tournaments.

The program will begin April 29, and will run every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. for six weeks. The class is limited to 12 youngsters.

The fee is \$25 for the entire six-week program. Fees are payable at Morale Support Activities Office, Bldg. 122, between 8 a.m. and noon. For more information, call Mr. Porter, at 561-5143.

Umpires needed

Individuals interested in umpiring softball are requested to attend an umpire's workshop at the Fort Scott gym, April 15, starting at 9 a.m.

The workshop will consist of five hours of instructions and three hours of practical experience. Individuals passing the written and practical exams will be afforded the opportunity to officiate Presidio and Treasure Island varsity and intramural league games. For more information contact Mr. Bob Gascon, Sports Section, MSAD, 561-3364/5032.



Face to face

Members of the Headquarters Company, USAG and LAIR and volleyball teams come face to face during their recent battle, won by

LAIR. But the USAG team came back and upended the researches to remain atop the league. (Photo by Karl Gaffney.)

PX cuts off Saturday sales

The Presidio Gas Station is being forced to cut its hours including Saturday service.

"We are being over pumped beyond belief," explains Mrs. Helen Kinney of the Presidio exchange office. "We will now open the station from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and will be closed on Saturday and Sunday."

The hour change will not affect operation of the retail store or garage.

"Every effort has been made to get our allocation increased," emphasizes Kinney, "but nothing can be done."

The fact that the exchanges' gas prices are six or seven cents cheaper than those in the area, has attracted increasing number of people to buy their gasoline on post, states Kinney.

This increase has nearly doubled the amount

of gasoline sold causing the station to use up its supplies ahead of schedule.

The cut in hours will continue for an indefinite period concluded Kinney.

Gas station attendants are checking ID cards to insure that no unauthorized persons are buying gas at the station.

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Fire leaves post family homeless

A soldier and his family are homeless, but safe, following a fire which completely gutted their Storey Avenue quarters Saturday morning.

According to Chief Bill Williams of the Presidio Fire Department, investigators believe the fire was started by unsupervised children playing with a cigarette lighter.

The blaze caused extensive damage to the quarters of Sp5 Michael Tennin, assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center, and caused some smoke damage to the other apartment in the duplex building.

Tennin and his wife Debbie were in bed on the second floor while their children, Michael age 5 and Jason age 2 were playing on the first floor when the blaze broke out.

The Presidio Fire Department received the call at 7:52 a.m. after Mrs. Tennin became aware of the fire. The firemen arrived on the scene four minutes later and had the blaze out by 8:15 a.m.

Williams states that the fire destroyed all of the Tennin's furnishings and caused more than \$65,000 damage.

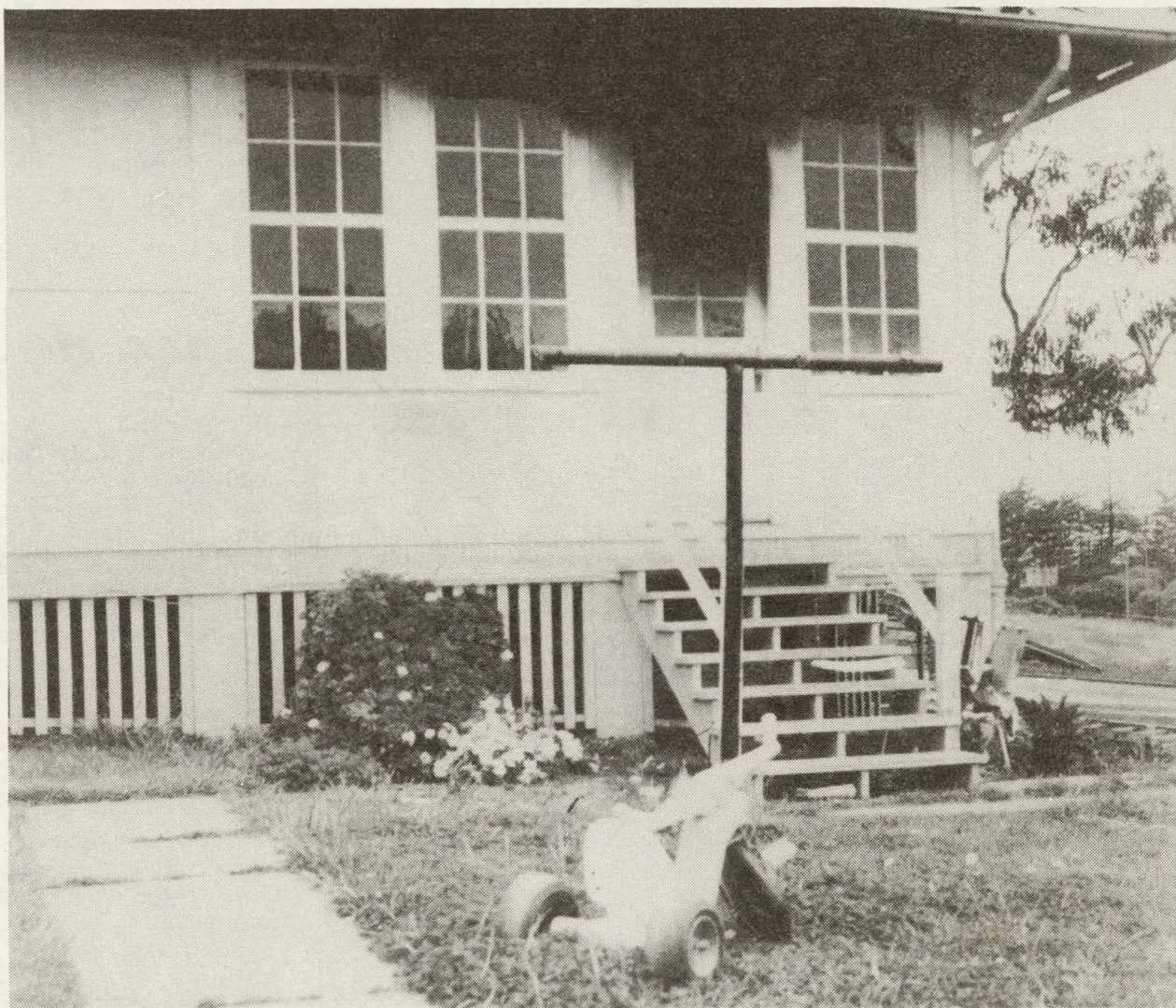
"The heat from the fire was so hot," explains Williams, "that the smoke detector at the top of the stairs was completely melted."

One firefighter, Capt. Glen Oberhansli received a mild eye injury while fighting the blaze.

A fund has been set up to help assist the Tennins recover their lost furnishings which were not covered by fire insurance. Anyone who would like to help by donating either money or items should contact Capt. Michael Zauner, commander, Company A, Letterman Army Medical Center at 561-2361.

The Tennin family is temporarily residing in Scott Hall.

(See related story on page 4)



Fire's victim

Fire destroyed this set of quarters on Storey Avenue last weekend. The blaze which was blamed on unsupervised children playing with a lighter left the family of Sp5 Michael

Tinnen homeless and without their home furnishings. Tinnen is assigned to Company A, Letterman Army Medical Center. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Belgian royalty to visit post

For the first time in many years, members of a royal family will visit the Presidio of San Francisco.

Prince Albert of Belgium and his wife Princess Paola will represent His Majesty King Baudoin I at a parade in the king's honor at the Presidio Army Museum, April 25 at 3:30 p.m.

The prince and princess, who will be in the United States to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Belgium's independence, will be honored by military contingents from the Presidio and by veterans of World War I and II.

Also present will be Mrs. Bernard Wilson, whose husband as an armored cavalry officer during World War II liberated King Leopold, the then reigning King of

Belgium, from his German captors in 1945. Additionally, the Belgian Ambassador to the United States from Washington D.C. and the present Mayor of Bastogne will attend the ceremony.

The 101st Airborne Division Association will present the Mayor of Bastogne a souvenir book of the unit's history, which depicts its part in the Battle of the Bulge near Bastogne.

During the festivities honoring the King, there will be a parade, a band performance, a display of historic vehicles, and the dedication of a new display depicting the Battle of the Bulge.

All Presidians are invited to attend the ceremony.

Check lapels on jacket of blue uniform

The uniform quality control office is advising soldiers that some certified manufacturers have been using unauthorized substitute fabrics for the lapels on the Army Blue Mess Jacket.

The situation has been created by a lack of availability of the authorized fabric within the textile and garment industries and a lack of sufficient demand to economically justify the manufacture of additional yardage.

To alleviate the situation all yardage of the authorized fabric belonging to the Army has been transferred to the Military District of Washington Clothing Sales Store, building 313, Fort Meyer, Arlington Va. 22211.

Service members may write or visit the store and purchase one-half yard of the appropriate branch of service colored fabric to be furnished the manufacturer upon placing an order.

Officers should specify the color and cable numbers depending upon the respective branch or service.

Ramblin' Sam

Has the parking policy changed your driving habits?



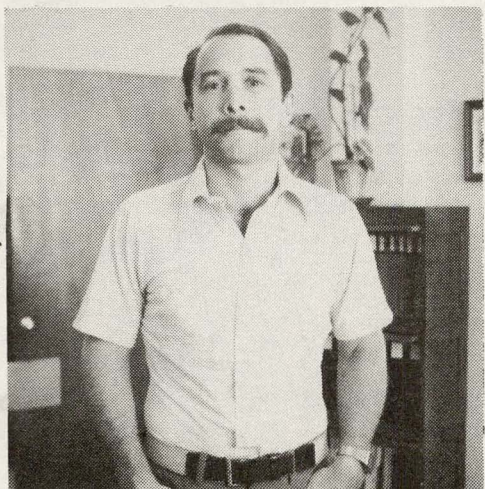
MSG John Doyle, Readiness Region IX—
"No, because living on the Presidio, I drive my care to work, park it and any errands are done by walking to the office."

Reeta McKenney, DCSRM 6th Army—
"No, because I had three passengers before the parking policy, but due to the car pool I'm exempt from the parking fee. But I think it is unfair for those who have to pay the fee."



Sp5 Rita Bartley, WRRRC—"No, I have no problem parking at the barracks (USAG) or work due to the open parking spaces."

Raef Ricca—6th Army—"No, but I'm opposed to the parking policy because it is unnecessary and very costly to administer. But hopefully it will help make everyone aware of their role in energy conservation."



Sp4 Darrell Brittle, HHD 504th MP Co. Clerk—"No, it has not changed my driving habits. I always park my car in the designated parking area."

Reader Opinion

What is Cinco de Mayo?

Dear Editor,

I read with a mixture of interest and "puzzlement" the front page story, "Apathy Kills Mexican Celebration," in the March 21 issue of the **Star Presidian**. The interest because I live on the Presidio myself; the puzzlement: Just what is a "Cinco De Mayo" celebration anyway?

Lt. Seikel states there was a definite shortage of people interested enough to even discuss plans for the celebration. I'm not surprised—in the fact that only three showed up not in the lack of interest. I'm in public affairs for the Western Region Recruiting Command across the (Golden Gate) bridge, an organization that, by the way has a goodly percentage of Hispanics, and I didn't even know about it, or the existence of plans for

a celebration. As a matter of fact, the story of its untimely demise in the **Star Presidian** was the first definite thing I'd seen or heard.

Where were EO's flyers? Their door-to-door canvassers looking for help? Their pre-celebration stories and/or pictures for promotion in the **Star Presidian** or other area newspapers?

Lt. Seikel should have also considered exposure on one or more of the San Francisco radio and TV stations. I believe one of the stations handles that caliber on something called "Noonday," "Billboard" or something along those lines.

A professional photographer in Milwaukee, Wis., once told me that "if you want people to know you're there, you have to advertise your presence." There's wisdom in those words.

Don Norton

Cinco de Mayo is. . .

Dear Mr. Norton,

"Cinco De Mayo" is the Mexican equivalent of our Fourth of July celebration. It is held each May 5th to celebrate Mexico's independence from Spain.

In recent years this celebration has been part of the Army's world-wide Equal Opportunity program.

The **Star Presidian** carried announcements of the "Cinco De Mayo" planning meeting schedule. Notices were also placed in the **Presidio Weekly Bulletin**.

Use of local television and radio stations was considered but rejected because the announcement applied to a small portion of the Bay area community, namely the 6,000 soldiers and civilians on the Presidio. Additionally, these "billboards" are generally aired at

times when most Presidians are at work.

Since no celebration had been planned, it was not possible for any pre-event publicity to appear.

The "Cinco De Mayo" celebration is designed to be a community event. It is impossible for EO staff workers to canvass door-to-door looking for volunteers, due to the limited personnel resources.

Since Western Region Recruiting Command has its own EO staff, I suggest that you contact them if you have any further questions concerning Cinco De Mayo. Perhaps they are planning a celebration for the people in your command.

The EO staff fully agrees that "if you want people to know you're there, you have to advertise your presence," and they did just that.

The Editor

Talkin' at you

The words of the Secretary of the Army

"The living environment of the soldier and his family has a direct impact on the readiness of the Army. The unhappy fact is that our soldiers serve in many places where their standard of living is unacceptable."

"We are trying to relieve the soldier's financial burden by providing cost of living allowances to personnel in the barracks, continuing Junior Enlisted Travel overseas and increasing PCS mileage reimbursement."

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Program opened to civilians

Department of Army civilian employees can now participate in the Army's hometown news release program, according to Mr. Pete Britten, Presidio public information officer.

This program focuses on the accomplishments and activities of soldiers, sending news releases to news outlets in those soldiers' hometowns.

Now, civilian employees will also be recognizing for accomplishments—such as promotions, awards, retirements and educational achievements, explains Britten.

DACs will use DA Form 1526, but they should follow certain guidelines in filling them out.

Items on the form pertaining to soldiers should be omitted, with the exception of the "date entered Army" slot, which civilians should change to "date entered civil service."

If a DAC's hometown is within 100 miles of the post, we'll release the news story directly to the news media, comments Britten.

"Civilians who would like to be recognized for an accomplishment, should contact me at 561-5187," Britten added.

"The forms, once completed, are then sent to the Hometown News Center in Kansas City, if the hometown is more than 100 miles from the post. Hopefully the story will be picked up in the persons hometown paper," Britten concluded.



Sign on the dotted line

Sp4 Debbie Schoettlin, hometown news clerk for the Public Affairs Office, explains to Miss Sybil Johnston, secretary to the Public

Affairs Officer, how to fill out hometown news release.

(Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Flyers ready, winds aren't

by Pete Britten

Balloonists Maxie and Kris Anderson and their Kitty Hawk balloon could lift-off from Fort Baker as early as this weekend or be delayed again due to weather conditions.

According to a spokesman for the duo, they are waiting for the weather pattern to present them with a low pressure front sandwiched between two high pressure fronts. This situation would give the balloonist the winds they need to sail across the country.

Not only is the Army providing the lift-off site for this historic attempt, but some post soldiers have been lending the balloonist a hand.

"I think this is really fantastic, since I've never encountered anything like this before," exclaims PFC Phyllis Anne Sturdivant, from the 170th MP Company.

Pvt. Lawrence Molloy, also an MP states, "This is my first time to see a balloon system and actually touch the parts before take-off. I'm really excited to tell my folks and friends back home about this."

According to Col. J.H. Kern, Sixth Army engineer and liaison officer for the launch, it is sort of fitting that the Army and the Presidio are involved in the project.

"I think that to support an activity such as this is a great opportunity to participate in an adventure and the making of history. The Army Signal Corps was deeply involved in the origin of ballooning," Kern states. "The Presidio and its sub-installations have played a major part in aviation history. Fort Baker was the site of one of the last remaining Army balloon companies. And Fort Barry has the last remaining barrage balloon hangars on the West Coast."

The flight marks the first time Maxie has flown with one of his children. And he is quite excited about the prospects.

Kris Anderson is equally as excited about attempting the flight with his father. "When my dad asked me if I'd like to go, it took me about one half a second to say yes. We were sitting in the living room when he said, he'd talked to my mother and decided that I was one of the best people to join him on the transcontinental balloon flight. He told me to think about it carefully and to give him my decision soon. Dad, I said, I don't need to think about it—I am ready."

Presidio soldiers honor international war dead

Presidio soldiers helped Bay Area Australians and New Zealanders honor their war dead during ceremonies at the San Francisco National Cemetery last Sunday.

Members of the Sixth Army Band, 504th MP Battalion Color Guard and Headquarters Company, USAG participated in the annual ANZAC day ceremony attended by post officials and several hundred Bay area citizens.

A highlight of the ceremony was the playing of a Scottish bag pipe played by Pipe Major Williams S. Cathro, who was attired in an authentic kilt military regalia, during the posting of the colors.

Prayers were offered by Presidio Chaplains Robert J. Plocki and Walter K. Sauer while remarks were made by Commander J.E. N. Welch of the Royal New Zealand Navy, the Consuls General of New Zealand

and Australia and retired Army Lieutenant Colonel Dan DeYoung of the Southern Cross Club.

In his remarks Welch said, "We who are gathered here think of comrades and loved ones who went out to battle and did not return. Their glory shall never die. The whole world is their sepulchre. Their epitaphs are written in the heirs of mankind. And whenever there is talk of noble deeds their names will be held in grateful remembrance."

A wreath was laid at the cemetery cenotaph by Wing Commander Thomas W. O'Brien of the Royal Australian Air Force.

In attendance at the observance were members of the New Zealand ship "Otago." Their presence marks the first time that a vessel from one of the participating nations has been in port to coincide with the ceremonies.

Manning the force is Army challenge

(Editor's note: This is the fifth in a series of eight).

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer emphasizes that "manning the total force is the major challenge the Army faces today."

The general explains in his "White Paper 1980" that "concerned leadership and attention to the needs of the individual" will be major factors in recruiting and retention for the Army of the 80's.

"Recruiting is not only the job of the recruiter," Meyer says, "but also the responsibility of the commands, the commanders, and the individual members of the Army team. Recruiting and retention are everybody's business."

He outlines the prospects for strength increases in the total force through the use of such programs as bonuses for critical skills, two-year and three-year enlistment options, split training and direct enlistment into the individual ready reserve in the 1980's.

Commenting that DA civilians are an important part of the total Army, the Army Chief asserts that providing "a climate for personal growth and job satisfaction" and human concern are necessary to keep a solid civilian employee base. "Each military manager must take an active interest in the professional development of civilian employees."

"We must focus on teamwork at the lowest level of our organizations where cohesion is most essential," Meyer states. "We must begin to think, for example, in terms of increased unit training, emphasizing the individual as a member of the team."

Creating units capable of carrying out "wartime missions under what may well be the most demanding circumstances any Army has ever experienced" will be a job for the Army of the 80's, comments the general.

"Our success in manning the total force in 1980-82 will determine the base for the Army in the years beyond," Meyer says.

Don't risk losing everything

by Bob Mahoney

A Presidio family is homeless and has lost most, if not all of their worldly possessions. They never expected it to happen to them and, unless their loss is payable under Army claims regulations or they have proper insurance, they may have to start all over again.

For a family to lose anything in these days of high inflation is bad enough, but to be wiped out of a lifetime in 20 minutes can be devastating.

"If the loss is the result of negligence on the part of the occupant or his agents, the occupant's claim will most likely be rejected," according to Capt. Vivian Wiesner, Presidio claims officer in the Staff Judge Advocate's office. "Of course, if the loss is caused by accident, such as in an electrical fire, through no fault of the occupant, the occupants of government quarters can file a claim under Army regulations for the loss."

The government can pay up to \$15,000 in claims under current regulations, continued Wiesner. This "protection" provides the same coverage as that available from commercial sources. In neither case, however, will claims for loss due to negligence automatically be covered. Some commercial companies may provide such coverage at a cost over and above the cost of a basic policy.

Wiesner cautioned soldiers from running out and getting a policy. "This type of insurance is not for every soldier. Most occupants of family housing quarters do not need the additional protection provided by personal property insurance. The government provides coverage equivalent to

commercial insurance up to \$15,000," she says. "In addition, it is important to remember that the government will not pay a claim if insurance covers a loss. The claims regulation specifically requires a claimant to file with his insurer if there is coverage. The government would then pay the deductible, assuming the claim is otherwise payable."

If the soldier wants the additional protection of coverage for losses due to negligence or owns personal property exceeding the \$15,000 value, a check into commercial insurance may be in order. The soldier may also want to check into the personal liability aspects of a homeowners policy for coverage of personal injuries which may be caused in quarters due to his or his family's negligence.

According to Frederick Hoyes, assistant vice president of a large national insurance company, "It is important to realize that the basic insurance principle is the substitution of a small certain cost (the policy premium) for a large uncertain one (potential losses)."

The Star Presidian asked Hoyes to state typical basic insurance coverage and costs based on the following soldier profile:

The sponsor is between 25 and 30 years old, married with two children and lives in family quarters at the Presidio. He owns no real estate, has no investments to speak of, has a modest savings account (\$2000) and drives a two year old car on which payments are still being made. He has been in the Army for six years and has been stationed overseas for three of those years. His hobbies are fishing, hunting and photography. He has accumulated some equipment to accommo-

date these hobbies. His possessions total \$12,000 to include furniture, television, stereo, and kitchenware.

Hoyes gave the following suggestions: "A tenant/homeowners policy could be purchased in the amount of \$12,000 to cover his personal possessions from losses due to fire, theft, vandalism, etc., subject to a deductible of \$100.

"Included in this policy is personal liability protection in the amount of \$25,000 and \$500 medical payments to others. The personal liability protection covers bodily injury and property damage. For a slight additional charge, the liability limits can be raised to \$100,000 and \$1000.

"This protection covers claims or suits brought against the insured for damages because of bodily injury or property damage, motor vehicles excluded.

"Theft coverage extension could also be purchased. This extends the theft coverage to loss of property from unattended vehicles or watercraft."

Hoyes concluded that "For a resident of San Francisco, a tenant/homeowners policy issued for \$12,000 with the described coverage, the cost would be approximately \$140 per year." This is basic policy coverage. It would not pay for loss due to negligence unless a specific, additional cost insurance rider were added to the basic policy.

"Since insurance policies are legal documents, the Legal Assistance Office of the Staff Judge Advocate can review the policy with the military sponsor before signing the agreement," concluded Wiesner.

Horseshoe demo here

by Jim Hudgins

From 1846, when John Fremont and Kit Carson claimed the Presidio as American territory, until well after the First World War, cavalry units were prominent and integral parts of the military history of both this installation and San Francisco.

Keeping the "horse soldiers" mounts shod and all other horse-drawn equipment operable was the task assigned to farriers, who did the actual shoeing, and to Army blacksmiths, who performed other metalworking. As the horse-and-buggy turned into automobiles and cavalry units evolved into armored vehicles and helicopters, blacksmithing as an art has been nearly lost.

This weekend the sound of hammers beating upon anvils and the sizzle of hot metal being thrust into tubs of cold water for tempering can again be heard when the California Blacksmith Association conducts its annual spring workshop at Forts Barry and Cronkhite.

Starting today and lasting until Sunday, approximately 125 members, both professional and amateur, will be displaying to the public hot-formed handmade ironwork and teaching each other the techniques and skills of this unique art form and craft that has all but disappeared.

The Association will provide a public gallery and forging demonstrations at The Fort Barry Chapel, Building No. 948, Bunker Road at Bosworth.

The purpose of the gallery is to familiarize the public with the craftsmanship and the actual art that is blacksmithing. Lectures will be held in front of the chapel and demonstrations of forging conducted by teams of blacksmiths who will physically demonstrate the making of decorative iron work, tools and other metalworking skills. Both the gallery and forging lectures will be open from 1 until 5 p.m. today, 8 a.m. until noon and 1 until 5 p.m. tomorrow and 8 a.m. until noon on Sunday.



Left standing naked

The San Francisco City Hall stands in ruins following the 1906 earthquake and fire. The quake registering 7.5 on the Richter Scale hit the city on the morning of April 18. It was followed by a devastating fire. Both

catastrophes left thousands dead, injured and homeless. The photo is a grim reminder of the destructive force of earthquakes. All Presidians should be familiar with procedures to be followed in the event of a quake.

Scuba divers in special 'league'

by Pete Britten

A Presidio administrator enjoys amphibious life so well that he dons his scuba diving gear for adventure in an exciting "sea world" in a special "league" below the surface.

"Dutch" Bowen as he is familiarly known on post takes to the water as often as he can in his spare time as a hobby. During normal duty hours he's the top administrator and is Director of Personnel and Community Activities.

In addition to his regular job, Bowen has been appointed by the post commander as Diving Safety Officer for the installation. "I consider this duty as a very serious, challenging additional responsibility for me that I welcome entirely," he said. "It is quite a satisfaction to know that I have an important, personal part to play in the effort to insure the safe operation of the skin and scuba diving activities that are sponsored by the Presidio. The 'world' below the surface is really an exhilarating experience. I find the environment extremely quiet and beautiful. Down below you're always apt to discover something new," he added.

Bowen is the present 'coordinator' of the Presidio diving club, the Conquistadores del Mar. The club takes pride in offering skin and scuba diving instruction as one of the fundamentals for having its organization. "The idea of a club was really a dream put into action by one of our members several years ago," said Bowen. Created by Sergeant Ron Orr while he was assigned to Sixth Army, the club was organized to introduce members of the Presidio community to diving in a safe and convenient atmosphere.

"I felt that our community should have an opportunity for this popular sport in some of the best diving areas in the world," Orr said. "We constantly try to get the word out to divers and would-be-divers. Naturally, we always need people to come in and help out. There's lots of work, but in diving, the work itself can be fun," he clarified.

The Presidio had no diving club prior to Orr's initiative. He used the experience in starting other diving clubs in the past in the best interest of getting the installation's organization off to a good start. His main aim was to reduce the possibility of diving accidents through professional and thorough training. Certification for this training is made by the National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI). Qualification can be obtained at various levels of proficiency such as scuba diver, certified scuba diver, advanced scuba diver and instructor. At the present time the club has three certified scuba instructors who include Orr, Bowen and a woman Judy McClure.

A highlight of the club is its accreditation program. This performance and proficiency oriented approach to training is geared to test an individual in several categories. "Our objective is to administer preventive testing before a new person goes into water to ensure his or her ability to cope with the rigorous challenge of California diving. Some of the diving elements such as kelp, temperature and surf are realities a diver has to know and with which to contend. Testing consists of written, pool check-out and open water checkout for adaptation. We do this to ensure

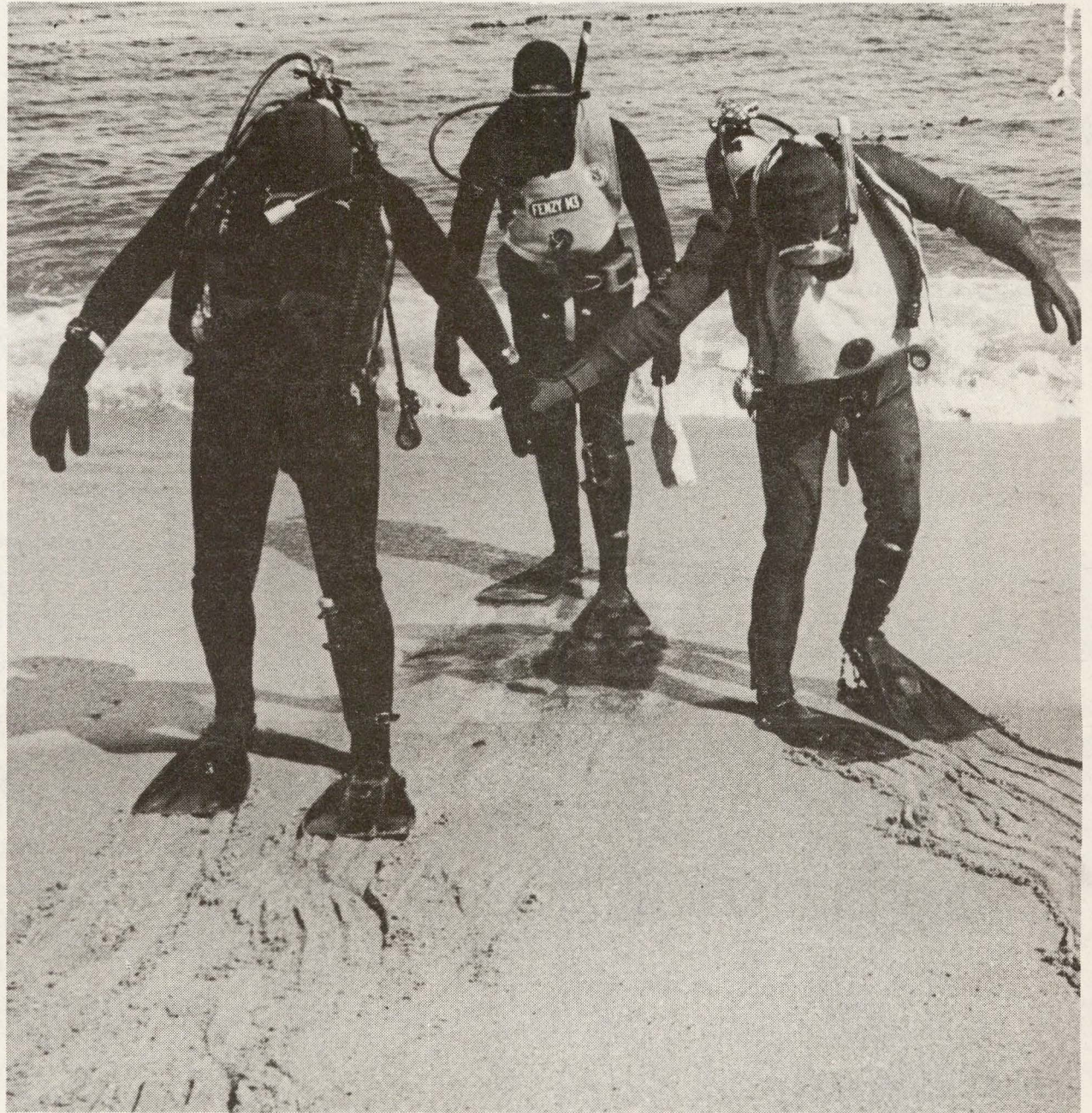
safety and enjoyment. By all means, we must be certain of the stamina level for divers and their ability to cope with the conditions of California coast diving," summed up Bowen.

The club also has another rather interesting dimension. All divers undergo the special training phase dealing with principles of cardiopulmonary rescue technique of first aid. Essentially, each person learns to rescue another diver using mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. This approach is learned and applied to get a stricken diver back to the beach area as quickly as possible.

Individuals interested in joining the club may do so by contacting staff personnel at building 1183 near Records Management at the next

meeting. The group meets regularly on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Joining is free and new members are always cordially invited, officials of the group emphasize.

"You do not have to take a SCUBA course to join, we have a number of non-diving people who have fun participating on land. Non-divers usually help with the abalone fries that we have when "ab" is in season, stressed Bowen. New members can also help organize our monthly outings and some of the activities that require assistance from the beach, such as underwater compass courses and lectures on various marine subjects. We make sure everyone has a piece of the action. Families are welcome," he concluded.



Creatures of the sea

Members of the Conquistadores del Mar, the Presidio scuba club, walk backwards into the ocean during a recent outing. The club,

headed by Dutch Bowen, offers training to its members.

(Photo courtesy Dutch Bowen)

Guesthouses

An inexpensive place to spend the nights before PCSing

by Tom Tiernan

Have you looked at the cost of staying in a San Francisco hotel lately? If you have you probably already know the average cost for a family of four is around \$45 per night. That can be quite a bundle when you're PCSing.

Presidio soldiers and their families don't have to go out the gate for temporary quarters when they PCS, according to Mr. Charles Jenkins, assistant custodian of the post billeting fund.

"Right here on post we have low-cost facilities where soldiers and their families can stay for up to 30 days," states Jenkins.

The average cost for a family of four ranges from \$12 a day for an apartment at Fort Baker to \$23 a day for a suite at Pershing Hall.

"Use of the guesthouse is a privilege afforded to military families and eligible DA civilians to help offset the financial hardships and inconveniences often experienced during PCS moves,"

explains Jenkins.

"We accept reservations two weeks in advance on a first-come basis, regardless of rank," Jenkins continued, "for all active duty military personnel with or without dependents."

"Since PCSing personnel have priority for occupying the guest house facilities, we cannot accept advance reservations for personnel other than those being or already assigned to the Presidio," he commented.

Jenkins points out that the following persons may stay in guest house facilities on a space available basis:

- Visiting relatives and guests of patients at Letterman Army Medical Center

- Active and retired military personnel authorized and undergoing out-patient medical treatment who are required to stay overnight at or near a military medical facility.

- Guests visiting soldiers stationed at the Presidio.

- Military personnel on leave, pass or in a transient status and those entitled to dependency benefits may occupy the guest house facilities on a space-available basis.

"Military personnel on TDY will be assigned involuntarily to guesthouse accommodations on a space-available and in the absence of adequate visiting officer or enlisted quarters," Jenkins adds, "However, those on TDY aren't entitled to use the guest house if adequate VOQ or VEQ accommodations are available."

The post guest house facilities include Pershing Hall with an annex on post plus six apartments at Fort Baker; Scott Hall which has 16 apartments and eight kitchens; and Thompson Hall which features 38 double rooms.

Information and reservations for any of the guesthouse facilities may be made at the Billeting Office located in Pershing Hall or by calling 561-3411. The office is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Time to spare

The **Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club** will feature a **King Crab Buffet** tonight beginning at 5 p.m. for \$8.95 for all you can eat. Reservations are required by calling 561-4914.

The **San Francisco Symphony** will present an **Evening of Tchaikovsky** tonight at 8 p.m. in the **Opera House**.

Over in Oakland, **Dizzy Gillespie** performs with the **Oakland Symphony Pops** at 8:30 p.m. in the **Paramount Theater**.

Tom Jones performs tonight at the **Circle Star Theatre** in San Carlos.

Japan Town's annual Cherry Blossom Festival begins tomorrow at the center on Geary Blvd.

For the next two weekends the festival will feature parades, martial arts demonstrations, tea ceremonies, and flower arranging displays.

Tomorrow it's **All Night Disco** at the **NCO/Enlisted Club** beginning at 9 p.m. The group **Non-Stop LTD** will be on the stage to get the evening off to a rocking start.

A special concert showcasing the original works of women composers of the 19th and 20th centuries will be presented Monday at 1 p.m. in **Knuth Hall**, located in the Creative Arts Building on the **San Francisco State University campus**.

An **upholstery class** will begin April 23 at the post **Craft Shop**. The class will meet every Wednesday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for 14 weeks. A fee of \$20 per person is required.

Active duty soldiers are given first priority, but retirees, dependents and DACs may sign-up and join the class on a space available basis.

For more information call 561-4497.

The **Presidio Recreation Center**, in conjunction with the **Outdoor Recreation Branch**, is

sponsoring a **ski trip** to **Alpine Meadows** April 25-27.

The trip is limited to **soldiers in grades E-1 through E-4** who live in the barracks. Cost of the tour is \$15.

Bean Bag Theater for children will journey through the looking glass April 26, into the magical world of Lewis Carroll's "**Alice in Wonderland**." The children's classic will be performed in the **Bean Bag Theatre** at noon and 2 p.m. on the **San Francisco State University campus**.

Additional performances are scheduled for May 3 at noon and 2 p.m.

Tickets are 50 cents and available at the door. **Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes** perform April 26 at the **Circle Star Theatre** in San Carlos.

Michael Hennessy, "The Modern Minstrel of Mime," will offer classes in **pantomime and circus techniques** at **Fort Mason** beginning April 28 and May 3. The course will cover the basic art of mime, as well as juggling, unicycle riding, rope spinning and manipulation of imaginary objects.

For more information about the class call the **Central YMCA** at 885-0460.

The **Central YMCA** will also offer a new series of classes in **Polynesian Dance** beginning April 29 at **Fort Mason**.

Classes for young people, ages 5-12, will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m., beginning on the 29th.

Classes for adults and teens will be held on Saturdays for 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., beginning May 3.

For more information call the **Central YMCA** at 885-0460.

The **Presidio Officers' Club** will feature a **Polynesian luau** with an Island buffet April 30 beginning at 6 p.m.

The buffet will feature fruit, vegetable and meat offerings from the island. Entertainment will be provided from 6- to 10 p.m. with a floor show at 9 p.m.

Reservations should be made at the earliest possible time by calling 561-4260.

The **Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club** will present the original "**Shireles**" in concert for two shows April 30.

The 9 and 11 p.m. performances are open to all Presidio soldiers, officers and civilian employees.

Billy Jaye, a well known San Francisco comedian will appear during the **Presidio Recreation Center's Rock and Roll** night May 7.

Diana Ross will perform in concert May 8-11 at the **Circle Star Theatre**.

The **Recreation Center** is currently taking reservations for several tours during the month of May.

The first is a **Three-in-one** tour of the **Acres of Orchids**, the **Winchester Mystery House** and the **San Jose Flea Market** on May 17.

Reservations are also available for the **Sacramento River Cruise** on May 31. For more information contact the **Rec Center** after 2 p.m. at 561-2000.

The **Rec Center** now has **Giants** baseball tickets for all Sunday games, selected Tuesday night half price games and one holiday game. The box seat tickets are being sold for the reduced price of \$5.

Tickets are also available for **Great America** at \$8, **Reno Hospitality Books** for \$1.25 and **Bay Meadows** passes are free.

Lunchtime theater at Playhouse

Soldiers and civilian employees of the Presidio will be treated to **free lunchtime** performances of the Gilbert and Sullivan comic masterpiece "**The Mikado**" at the **Presidio Playhouse** April 22, 23 and 24.

Performed by the **Brown Bag Theater** from the Department of Theatre Arts of **San Francisco State University**, "**The Mikado**" is the first in what **Don Hess**, Presidio music and theater director, hopes to be a series of noontime events for Presidio personnel.

The performances begin at 11:45 a.m. each day and will give both military and civilian personnel the opportunity to enjoy their brown bag lunch while being entertained.

Free tickets are now available for pick-up at the **Presidio Playhouse** daily from 1 to 5 p.m.

The idea of lunchtime performances being given for Presidio personnel originated during a January conversation between Hess and **Col. F. Whitney Hall**, post commander. Hall thought that such performances would be a tremendous morale factor for post workers. Hall has asked supervisors to be lenient in allowing employees time enough to attend these performances.

Those interested in attending one of the performances are urged to bring their lunch or they may buy a lunch in advance prepared by the **Presidio Officers Club** and picked up at the performance. The \$3 lunch must be paid for no later than the day preceding the performance. Free coffee and punch will be available.

The **Brown Bag Theater** has been in operation for several years at **San Francisco State** and has proved to be both popular and successful. Each semester a selected group of students are enrolled and participate in the program. A new production is presented by the Theater each week at lunchtime, Tuesdays through Saturdays, on campus. Not only do the students receive valuable training, but also the campus is provided with a pleasurable and entertaining lunchtime activity.



Keep your distance

A member of the cast of "**The Mikado**" performs during a recent rehearsal. The Gilbert and Sullivan musical comedy will be presented next week by the **Brown Bag Theatre**

from the **San Francisco State University**. The play will be presented from 11:45 to 12:45 p.m. for three days at the **Presidio Playhouse**.

Sports

USAG captures volleyball crown

The 1980 Presidio intramural volleyball championships featured the top of four teams of the league, Headquarters Company USAG, Public Health Service, LAIR No. 1 and the CID command.

In the first game USAG methodically subdued PHS 15-9 and 15-10 and in the second game LAIR No. 1 defeated USACIDC 15-3, 5-15 and 15-3.

USAG and LAIR No. 1 faced off in a hard fought see-saw affair, with the USAG ultimately surviving by scores of 15-11 and 17-15. Each game featured the culmination of six weeks of preparation for this match between the best two teams of the league. Both teams displayed sound fundamentals, great team work and numerous second and third efforts to keep the ball in play.

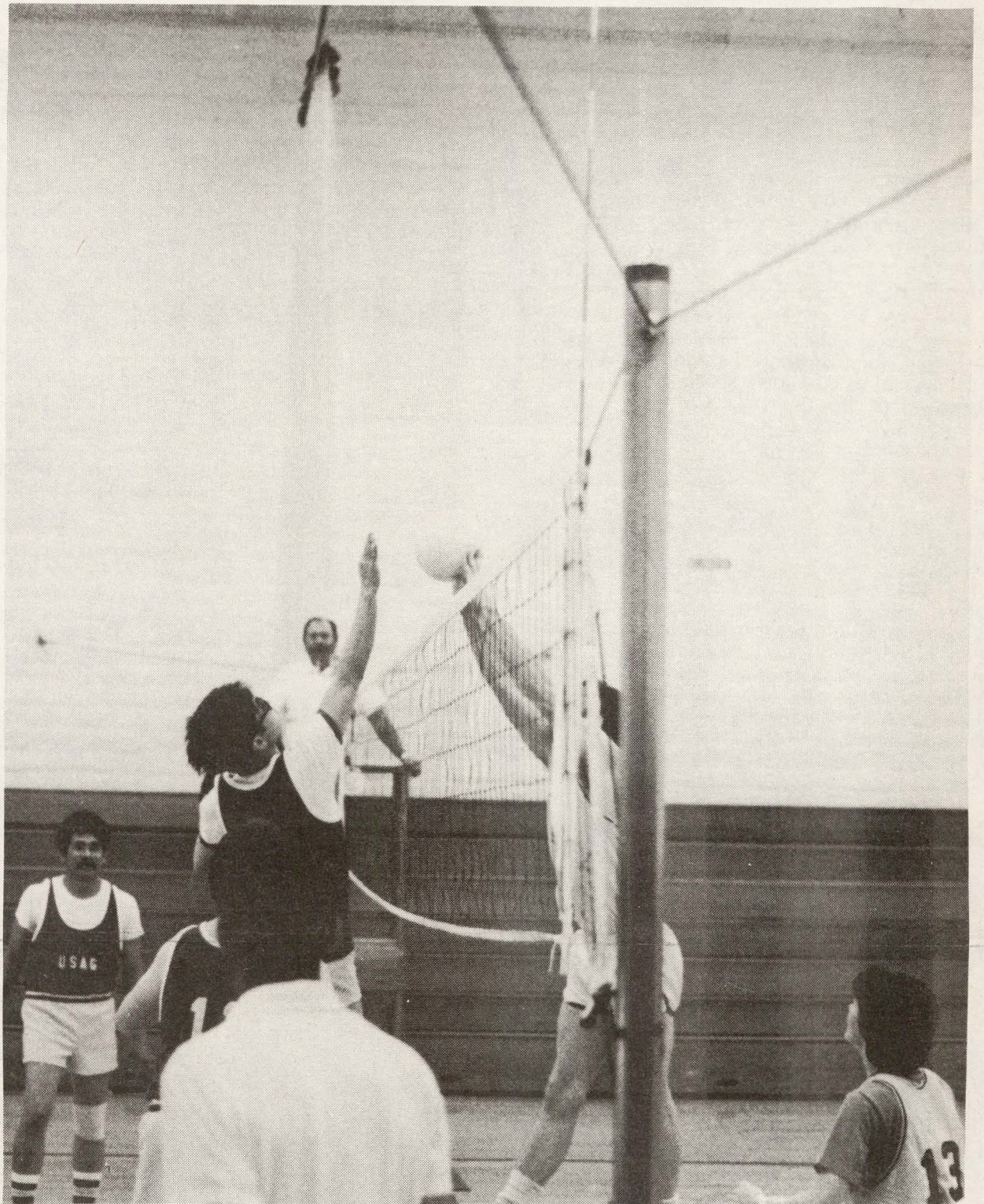
The first game was "nip and tuck", the score see-sawing back and forth, until USAG finally put a strong rally together of four straight points to win 15-11.

The second game proved much more difficult, with both teams playing intensely down to the wire. This game featured both great defense and offense, with LAIR eventually holding onto a 14-12 lead, and control of the ball. But after many intense rallies, USAG finally regained control and came back to tie the score 15-15, and eventually broke the deadlock by winning the next two points behind successive power spikes by Tei and Sao.

The losers of the earlier two rounds ended the night with exciting volleyball, with both teams determined to get another shot at the championship. USACIDC took control of the first game early, winning 15-10, but lost the second game to a determined PHS 13-15, and then totally dominated the decisive third game 15-6.

In order for LAIR to obtain a rematch against USAG, revenge will have to wait until they dispense with a much improved USACIDC team.

Team	Won	Lost
Hq Co. USAG	19-1	
LAIR No. 1	17-3	
USACIDC	15-3	
PHS	12	
LAMC No. 2	8-12	
LAMC No. 1	5-12	
504th MP BN	2-13	



Let me give it to you

A member of LAIR No. 2 appears to be handing the ball over the net to a member of the USAG team during action early in the season.

The garrison soldiers were the season champions with a 19-1 record and appear headed for the post crown. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

The program will begin April 29, and will run every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. for six weeks. The class is limited to 12 youngsters.

The fee is \$25 for the entire six-week program. Fees are payable at Morale Support Activities Office, Bldg. 122, between 8 a.m. and noon. For more information, call Mr. Porter, at 561-5143.

Learn umpiring

Individuals interested in umpiring softball are requested to attend an umpire's workshop to be conducted tomorrow, not April 15 as previously reported.

The workshop will consist of five hours of instructions and three hours of practical experience. Individuals passing the written and practical exams will be afforded the opportunity to officiate Presidio and Treasure Island varsity and intramural league games. For more information contact Mr. Bob Gascon, Sports Section, MSAD, 561-3364/5032.

Tryouts set

The 1980 softball team is now forming. Any active duty personnel wanting to participate, please sign up at Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63. The first day of tryouts will be on April 22 at the Fort Scott field.

V-ball game set

The All-Army Volleyball Team, currently practicing at Fort Ord, will compete against one of the top civilian teams in Northern California in preparation for the 1980 Interservice Tournament to be held at Treasure Island, April 22-25. The game will be at Post Gym No. 1 tonight at 7 p.m.

LAIR pins down bowling title

The Fort Scott league champions, LAIR, comprised of an unheralded foursome, Davis, Freeman, Shigekawa and Turnbow accomplished a major upset last Tuesday by soundly defeating the Presidio League Champions, LAMC LeCroy, Ansbacher, Johnson and McGuire, for the prestigious Post bowling championship.

The underdogs were aided by a handicap team total of 436 points compared to the losers' 129 points. LAIR compiled a team total after three games of 1927, while the losers had a total of 2091 points. When team handicaps were added, LAIR defeated LAMC by a score of 2353 to 2220.

Tennis tourney next weekend

The 1980 post tennis tournament will begin April 26 and will be played on the following successive weekends through May 11 at various courts on post.

The competition will be singles play only, with double eliminations in each division.

Some finishers in the tourney will be selected for the post team which goes to the FORSCOM Tournament in June.

Anyone wishing further information should visit or call the Sports Branch Office, Post Gym No. 1, at 561-4120/5032.

Youth tennis program set

Presidio Dependent Youth Activities is introducing a junior Davis Cup program for eligible youngsters ages 8 through 18. The program provides advanced training for youngsters and an opportunity to participate in sanctioned NCTA tournaments.

Presidio News Notes

Classes set

Registration for San Francisco State University classes is currently underway at the Fort Scott and Letterman Army Medical Center Education Centers.

The next semester begins May 12 and will end August 22. Courses being offered this term include:

- **Monday**—Biology 317—**Environmental Hazards to Man**
- **Tuesday**—Athropology 120—**Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology.**
- **Wednesday**—Psychology 456—**Psychology of Human Sexual Behavior**
- **Thursday**—English 107—**Second Year Composition** (English 106 prerequisite)

Tuition is \$45 per semester hour. Active duty military may apply for 75 percent tuition assistance up to four working days before class begins.

Books will be sold at the SFSU bookstore Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information contact the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-2974 or the LAMC center at 561-4030.

Credit cards ok

Patrons of the PX optical, Redwood and watch repair shops may now use one of three credit cards to pay for their purchases.

According to a Presidio Exchange spokesman these shops will accept, Master Charge, Visa or American Express.

Church services

All Presidio protestants are invited to attend the 200th anniversary of the founding of Sunday School, which will be observed in the total Protes-

tant Post Chapel Program, April 27.

The day's activities will begin with a combined Sunday School program at the Religious Activities Center, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Special services emphasizing the anniversary will be conducted at 9 and 11 a.m. at the post chapel, and at the 11 a.m. service at the Fort Scott Chapel.

Finally, at 12:30 p.m., all participants are invited to attend a potluck at the Fort Scott athletic field. A variety of games, projects and entertainment will be provided.

Special lunch set

The Presidio Equal Opportunity Branch is sponsoring a **Cinco de Mayo luncheon, May 5** at a surprise restaurant in downtown San Francisco.

Interested persons are asked to call 561-5730 or 3701 to reserve a place on the bus which will be provided free of charge.

The bus will depart the Main PSF bus stop at 11:45 a.m. and return at 1 p.m.

Participants will receive a 15 percent reduction on the cost of their meal.

Hall to speak

Post Commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., will be the guest speaker at the Reserve Officers Association, Chapter 6, dinner meeting May 1 Presidio Officers Club. Reservations are required, by sending a check for \$8 per person to Col. Angus L. Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, 94611.

The evening begins at 6:30 p.m.

Parkos to visit

Dr. William Parkos, Academic Advisor from the University of Northern Colorado, will be at the Letterman Education Center, Bldg. 1007, April 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All present and prospective students are encouraged to see Dr. Parkos if they are interested in a Masters degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Health Care Administration which is offered in weekend seminars at Treasure Island.

For more information or to make an appointment to see Dr. Parkos, please call 561-3693 or Treasure Island 397-1079.

Pottery class open

An intermediate and advanced pottery (wheel thrown) class will begin April 22 and be held every Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for six weeks. A fee of \$7.50 will be charged.

Active duty military are given priority, however, retirees, dependents, and DA civilians are urged to sign-up also. Stop by the post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122, or call 561-4497.

Instructors needed

American Red Cross is in need of additional instructors in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, first aid and water safety.

Red Cross will be conducting the following CPR and first aid classes in April, 1980. Phone your Red Cross office 561-2187 to sign up to attend a class.

April 22 and 24—Double session CPR class from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



On a clear day

Sp5 S. Spigelman of Company D, 864th Engineers caught this photo of a person

watching the sunset atop Fort Point. This is Spigelman's first Photo of the Week and next

week it could be yours. All you have to do is bring your favorite photo by our newsroom

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MPs nab murder suspect

A Sacramento man wanted in connection with the murder of his wife was arrested early Sunday morning by two Presidio military policemen.

Sgt. Robert Raisor and PFC Mark Tripp, spotted the suspect, David Asahara, driving along Lincoln Boulevard. They had been alerted to keep an eye out for a yellow Mercedes.

Although the license plates on the car did not match those listed as belonging to the suspect, the MPs ran a check of the license and found they belonged to another car.

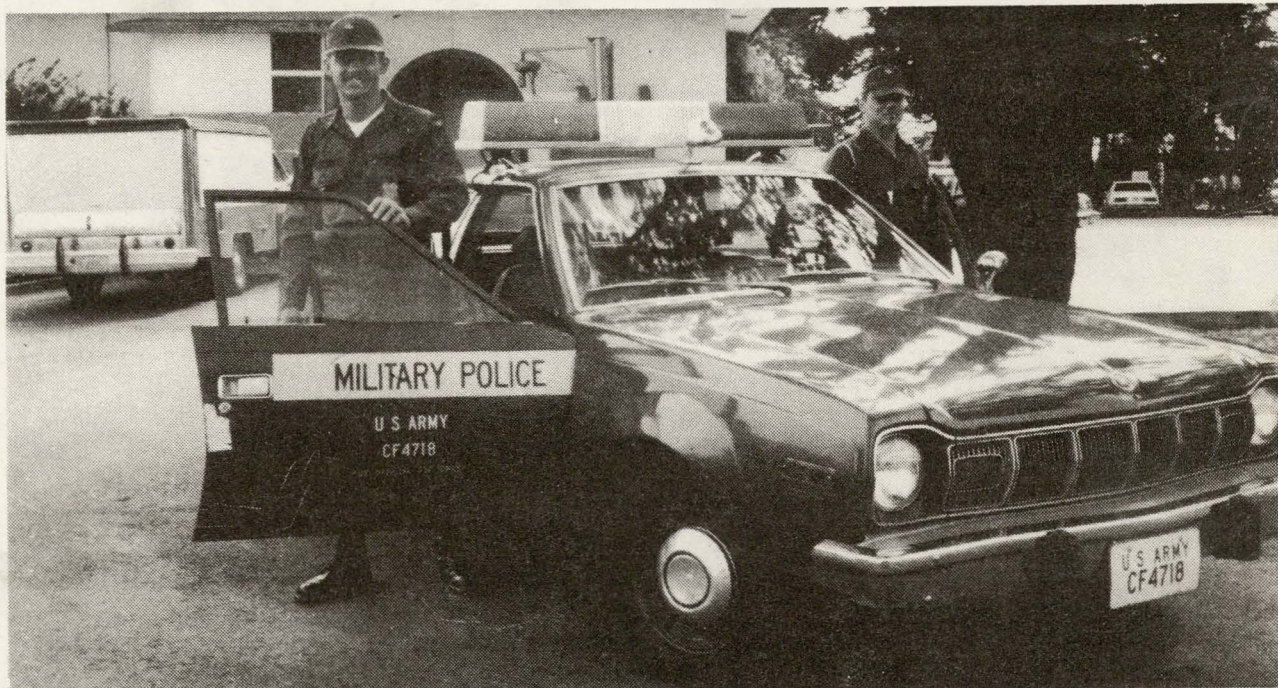
The two 170th MP Company soldiers followed the suspect into the cafeteria parking lot where they approached him and asked for his driver's license.

Upon seeing the suspect's license they arrested him, without a struggle.

In the car, the MPs found Asahara's two children and a loaded 38 caliber Smith and Wesson revolver which was hidden under the seat.

The Presidio MP desk had been alerted during the night that the Sacramento police had a warrant for Asahara's arrest and described him as being "armed and dangerous."

The suspect was detained at the MP station until he was picked up by a member of the San Francisco Police Department and the children were turned over to a relative.



Dynamic duo

Sgt. Mark Raisor and PFC John Tripp exit their MP vehicle at the spot where they stopped murder suspect David Asahara on Sunday morning.

The two soldiers are assigned to the 170th MP Co. (Photo by Debbie Schoettlin)

Juvenile arrested

Bicycle rip-offs on the rise

by Tom Tiernan

A San Francisco juvenile was arrested last Friday after being found in possession of a stolen bicycle.

The 10-speed bike, valued at \$175, was reportedly stolen from the bicycle rack at the third floor entrance to Letterman Army Medical Center.

Military Police investigators believe the youth, who was cited and then released to his parents, tampered with a lock in order to take the bicycle.

According to SSgt. Preston Glover, Military Police operations, this is the latest in a rising number of bicycle thefts to hit the post.

"The number of bicycle thefts has more than doubled since mid-March," Glover explains. "The greatest number of thefts have occurred in areas more accessible to the general

public such as the hospital, LAMC and the barracks for USAG and the Sixth Army Band."

Glover states that in the majority of cases the bicycles were left unsecured or improperly secured.

"People must remember that it isn't enough to place a lock through the spokes on the front wheel. Bikes these days are light enough to be picked up and carried away, therefore they must be secure to some immobile object like a pole or post," Glover advises.

The military policeman also suggests that bike riders also make sure that they purchase quality chains and locks to protect their two-wheelers.

Riders can help increase the possibilities of recovering their bicycle if it is stolen by writing down its serial number and description.

"It is difficult for the police to prove a bicycle is stolen or for a victim to claim it, if we don't

have a serial number. We can't even enter the bike into the nation-wide computer system to identify stolen items unless we have that serial number," Glover stresses.

"People should realize that many of these bikes are taken off-post and the more they do to identify their bike the better their chances of recovering it. This can include borrowing the engraver from the crime prevention section to give the bicycle a further item by which it can be identified," he added.

Glover warns quarters occupants, particularly those with children on bikes to take extra steps to secure these items.

"Right now most of the thefts occur in the public areas of the post, but later in the year the bikes begin to disappear from the housing areas. This is because many kids leave their bikes laying around to be easy targets."

AER fund drive set

Beginning May 1st, soldiers throughout the Presidio will have the opportunity to "help the Army take care of its own" through the annual Army Emergency Relief Fund.

According to Sgt. 1st Cl. Richard Brogdon, project coordinator for the drive, donations will be solicited from soldiers assigned to the Presidio and its tenant units such as Letterman Army Medical Center and Sixth Army through June 15.

Brogdon feels that AER gives soldiers the opportunity to see the money they donate help either themselves or those they know.

"Last year 202 Presidians received more than \$44,000 in either loans or grants from AER" Brogdon points out.

Donations from the drive will be collected by company representatives who will accept cash, checks, or money orders. Receipts will be provided to all donors.

Retirees may also donate if they desire by contacting Robert Nightengale, the post AER officer.

Civilians who wish to lend a helping hand may do so by contacting Brogdon at 561-4212.

AER has been providing financial assistance to soldiers and their families for over 38 years. It has helped put food on a soldier's table and to send a dependent to college.

In a letter to all post agencies, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander urged support for the drive saying, "The possibility that each one of us might at some time need assistance and the fact that financial assistance is immediately available during periods of distress, should create a desire to support this worthwhile endeavor."

Belgian prince visits today

Crown Prince Albert of Belgium will be the guest of honor at a special ceremony today at 3 p.m. in front of the Presidio Army Museum.

The prince will be representing his father, King Baudoin I, during the parade which will include members of the 504th MP Battalion, and veterans of World Wars I and II.

Also present for the ceremony will be Mrs. Bernard Wilson, whose late husband liberated King Leopold, the then reigning King of Belgium, from his German captors in 1945. Additionally, the Belgian Ambassador to the United States, and the Mayor of Bastogne will attend the ceremony.

Prince Albert and his wife, Princess Paola, are in the United States to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Belgium's independence.

The ceremony will also mark the official opening of a new display at the Presidio Army Museum. The exhibit, entitled, "The Last Desperate Gamble," depicts action during the Battle of the Bulge.

Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony.

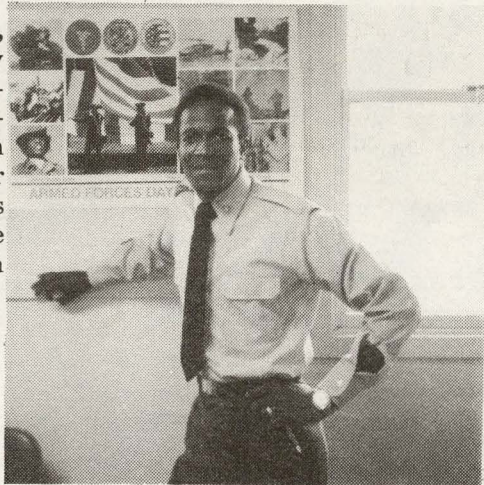
Ramblin' Sam

If you were on Fantasy Island what would be your fantasy?



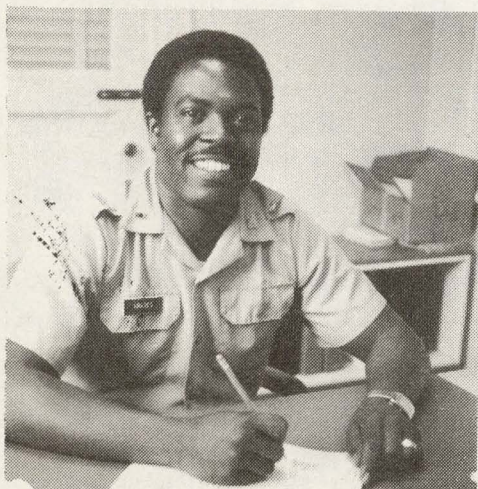
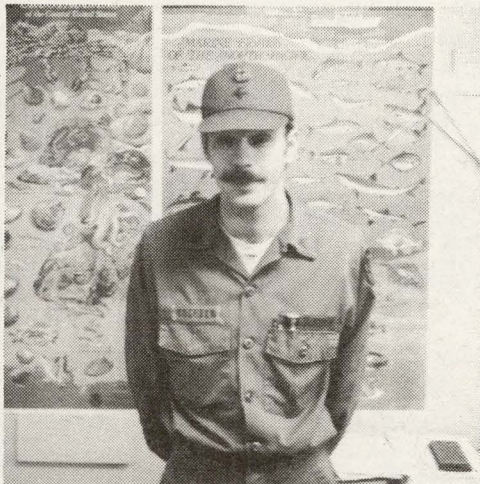
SFC Orlando U. Victorio, USAAR IX— "My wish is to be the "best" tennis player in the whole wide world, accept repeated challenges from top ranked players trying to capture my prestigious position and defending it successfully."

Sp4 Tony Turner, Armed Forces Day NCO— "To see people disregard the color or pigmentation of one's skin and have great regard for the pigmentation of one's mind. This would be like honey of one color from many flowers."



Mrs. Christa Mendoza, Dependent wife— "I would like to be a famous singer. I day dream about being a singer, but I don't have the voice."

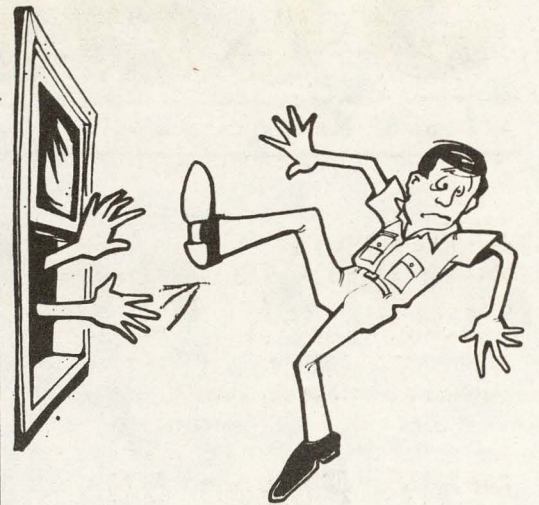
Sp4 Lloyd Cochran, LAMC Vet Clinic— "I'd like to be either Mr. Rourke or Tattoo. I mean, what more could you want?"



CWO2 Richard Graves, USAAR IX— "The owner of the world's largest-most fabulous night club is my wish. I would also be the host MC with my favorite entertainers as guest performers."



"Something bothering you? If so, out with it!"



Command Time

Next Thursday, our nation will pay tribute to the law and its indispensable role in our lives.

Without law, none of us could enjoy the rights, freedoms, opportunities and protections which we too often take for granted.

Each one of us can help strengthen our laws and secure the individual rights of all citizens by fulfilling our responsibilities to foster respect for the law.

On Law Day, May 1, we should take the opportunity to reaffirm our support of the freedoms which our laws guarantee us, and pledge to defend these rights for all people.

I ask each Presidian to observe the Law Day with appropriate recognition, to rededicate yourself to the principles of democracy and to renew your respect for the law that is so vital to our freedom.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

AER funds

The Army takes care of its own

Spec. 4 Mike Jones was recently notified by the Red Cross that his father had died. Mike and his wife Susan had just PCS'd to the Presidio and didn't have the money saved up to make the trip back to Baltimore. They don't know where to turn.

PFC George Smith is penniless today because he didn't get a mid-month pay check due to a mix up at the Finance Center. It's been a long two weeks but it may not have been necessary.

Gracie Alexander, daughter of Maj. Bert Alexander, may not be able to go to school next year if she can't find some way to get some money. It's been hard finding a job, and while her grades are well above average she just hasn't been able to land a scholarship to help her out. She is really depressed at the thought of missing out on a year of college.

Each of the individuals in the cases above are perhaps going through a lot of stress and worry needlessly, because the answer to their problem may be as close as the

Army Emergency Relief Office.

Each year AER gives financial aid to soldiers and their families in all types of emergency situations. In addition the fund also provides loans and grants to deserving dependent students headed for college.

AER is truly an example of "the Army helping its own." Each year soldiers are asked to donate whatever they can afford to help insure the continuation of this valuable benefit. Your donation is all the money the fund receives.

You never know when some tragedy might strike your family. Or when financial limitations might threaten the well being of your loved ones. But no matter what the case, AER will be there.

I know that inflation is really eating up your earnings, but it is also eating up the money available to AER. When your key person contacts you, please dig deep and help the Army keep taking care of its own.

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More privileges for reservists

Presidio PX patrons will start seeing more reservists and National Guard soldiers using the facility in the near future.

Beginning at the end of the month, post exchange privileges for members of the Army National Guard and Reserve units will be changing.

According to a recent change to AR 60-20, "Operating Policies," a reserve component members will earn one day of post exchange

privileges for each four-hour drill. In other words, members will receive four days of PX privileges for a two-day weekend drill.

Dependents of National Guard and reserve members may use the PX, but they must be accompanied by their sponsor.

Prior to the change, a two-day drill weekend only entitled the National Guard or reserve unit member to two days of PX privileges.

Unit members must present their red reserve component I. D. cards and their leave and earnings statements when using the PX.

Only reserve component unit members may use the PX. Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) members will not be affected by the recent change in PX privileges. IRR members have these privileges only while on active duty for training.

White Paper '80

Modernization is complex

"Next to manning the force, the management of modernization is the most complex challenge facing the Army in the 1980's," says Gen. E.C. Meyer in "White Paper 1980."

The Army plans to set a rate of modernization to meet global requirements and still remain within the limits of dollars available. "However, while planned procurement for modernization during the FY 81-85 period is on the order of \$33 billion," the General offers, "it will not buy all the required systems."

To get the most combat capability for the amount of money spent, the Army is develop-

ing a broad-based acquisition plan. The plan will:

- set priorities according to how much each item will improve force capability,
- base buys on sound business principles, and
- recognize private industry capacity to produce needed items and consider increased costs brought on by competition for this industrial capacity.

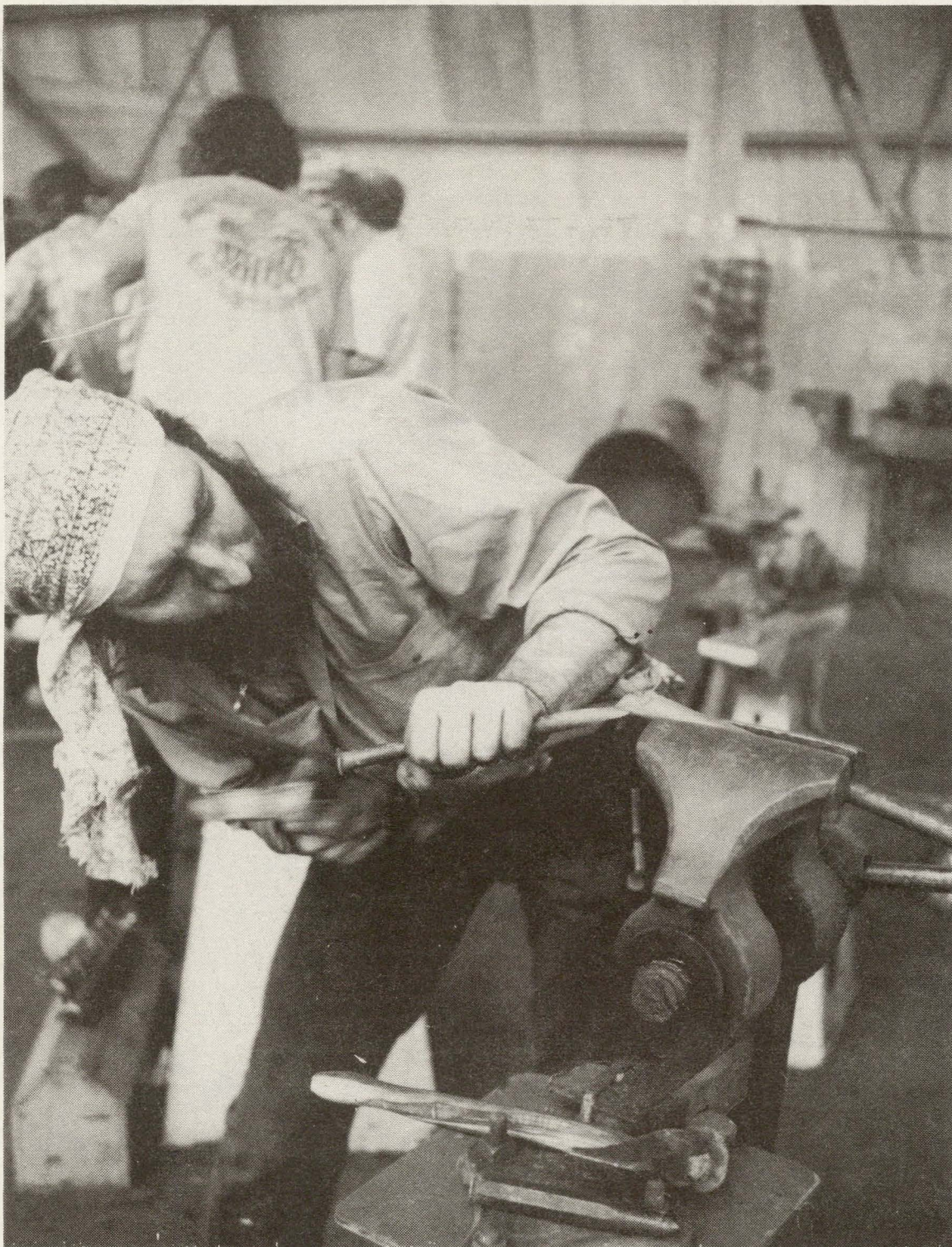
The Army, Meyer says, must tie in the acquisition plan with over-all Army plans. "As we field new systems, the importance of integrated logistics systems, manpower and training

requirements, and maintenance needs must be recognized," explains Meyer.

"Manpower requirements must define numbers, skills, grades and costs to recruit, train and retain soldiers to man the systems," he continues.

"The Army force modernization coordinating office has been created with the responsibility for integrating all training, logistics and personnel plans to support the fielding of new equipment."

"The Army must consider the total system" as it buys and fields new equipment under the modernization program, states Meyer.



Making a shoe

Joe Anderson pounds out the shape of a horse shoe during a blacksmith demonstration held at Fort Cronkite last weekend. The demonstration was

part of a gathering of the practitioners of this dying art. Blacksmiths once played an active part in the successful operation of the Presidio.

Law day May 1st

Each year May 1 is set aside by joint resolution of Congress and Presidential proclamation as a "special day of celebration by the American people in appreciation of their liberties" and as "an occasion for rededication of the ideals of equality and justice for the law." The day is known as Law Day U. S. A.

The theme for this year's observance is "Law and lawyers working for you."

Many Americans mistakenly believe that the law has no daily impact on their lives, and lawyers are needed only if they are in some kind of trouble. Perhaps the easiest way to recognize how the law works for you is to reflect upon what you do in a typical day. When you leave your house in the morning, is the air cleaner than it used to be? Do the cars stay in the street or do they cruise on the sidewalks? Does traffic stop at a red light?

The quality of the food we eat, the water we drink, and the air we breathe is all, to some extent, protected by the law. The assumptions that we make every day, the security we take for granted, the social compact that allows us to live peacefully together—these are also the result of law. Law is everywhere around us. The structure of our life together is built upon it.

Realization of the fact that the law works for us, and how much it affects us, comes easily once we take the time to consider it thoughtfully. However, it is somewhat more difficult to appreciate how lawyers work for you when you may have had little or no direct contact with a lawyer.

Not all lawyers spend their time in court. The role of an attorney is as diverse as the law itself. Lawyers are actively involved in many efforts that serve the public as a whole. Because of the complexity of the law, for example, lawyers are especially qualified when it comes to drafting or interpreting the law. As advocates, judges, legislators, and public leaders, the legal profession works for all of us.

The observation of Law Day is designed to foster respect for the law and understanding of its essential place in the life of every citizen. The military community is in a unique position, in that we have access to our own lawyers, members of the Judge Advocate General's Corps, working solely for the soldier.



Transporting the wounded

Stretcher bearers from the 143rd Evacuation Hospital of the California National Guard contribute to the realism of the 1980 earth-

quake exercise Saturday at Travis Air Force Base in nearby Fairfield. The unit from Los Alamitos, near Los Angeles, was airlifted to

Travis as part of the San Francisco Bay Area exercise. More than 350 National Guardsmen participated in the Travis air evacuation

Soldiers feel the earthquake

by Bob Mahoney

Three thousand were dead. Another 10,000 were seriously injured. The bridges across the bay were impassable. Power and phone lines were down. The city was devastated.

This was the scenario faced by thousands of city, state and federal officials last Friday and Saturday as people throughout the San Francisco area participated in the 1980 earthquake response exercise.

The military community plays an enormous role in responding to earthquake emergency relief and assistance. Army Reserve aircraft are assigned specific areas of the city to survey for damage. Sixth U. S. Army headquarters is tasked as the executive agency responsible for coordinating federal aid to the stricken area. The California National Guard and the California Air National Guard respond with medical, communications, air and security support.

Letterman Army Medical Center is one key cog in the San Francisco emergency medical assistance net.

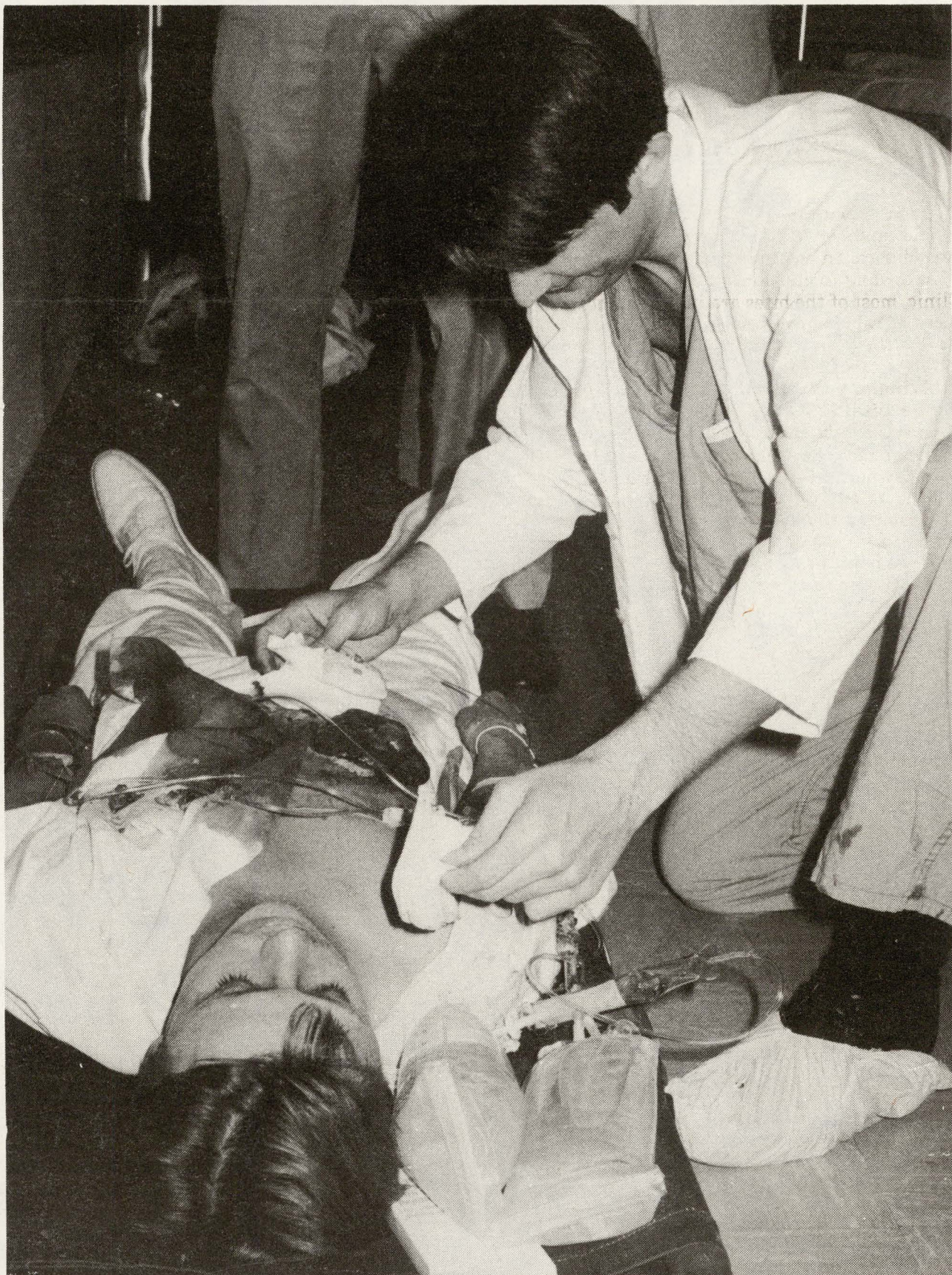
Letterman's emergency operations center (EOC) was fully staffed by 6 a.m. Friday, less than four hours after the simulated 8.3 quake, according to Maj. Dale Schmuck, the hospital's chief of plans, operations and training. "We had approximately 300 people involved in the exercise. This included advanced planning, the EOC, doctors, nurses, technicians and victims," he added.

The situation at Letterman was "played" under circumstances as realistic as possible. "We assumed that 10 percent of our people were injured and that many more could not get to the hospital for duty because the bridges across the bay were out. We also operated with no telephones, strictly with radios," said Schmuck.

The outpatient lobby area was set up as a triage point where some 25 "victims" were medically evaluated and rapidly sent to the appropriate clinic for treatment. "In the past, our earthquake exercises were conducted on weekends when we could devote most of our energies exclusively to the exercise at hand," continued Schmuck.

Medical care for "victims" of the quake continued on Saturday as the California National Guard erected a tent city at Travis Air Force Base, approximately 50 miles northeast of the city. In the event of a natural disaster, the Guard would use the Travis site as a secondary triage point, taking care of the injured and then sending them on to more permanent care facilities for further treatment.

The city was dominated by a MUST (Mobile Unit-Self Transportable) hospital airlifted to Travis from the Los Angeles area earlier in the day. Manned by the 143rd Evacuation Hospital, California National Guard, the hospital has the capability of handling 400 beds, six operating rooms and various clinics including X-rays and intensive care. Although only 10 percent of the hospital was actually set up for the exercise, the realism left no doubt as to the capabilities of the Guard in an actual emergency.



And what seems to be your problem?

Letterman Army Medical Center participated in the 1980 city-wide earthquake exercise last Friday. The hospital provided the realism of triage in the outpatient lobby area as well as treatment to the 25 "victims" of the

simulated 8.3 quake on the open ended Richter scale. Some 300 Letterman personnel were involved in the exercise.

(Photo by Harvey Kinoshita)

You can help make history

Soldiers interested in taking part in a colorful and inspiring ceremony honoring soldiers of the past and present are being sought by the Armed Forces Day planning office.

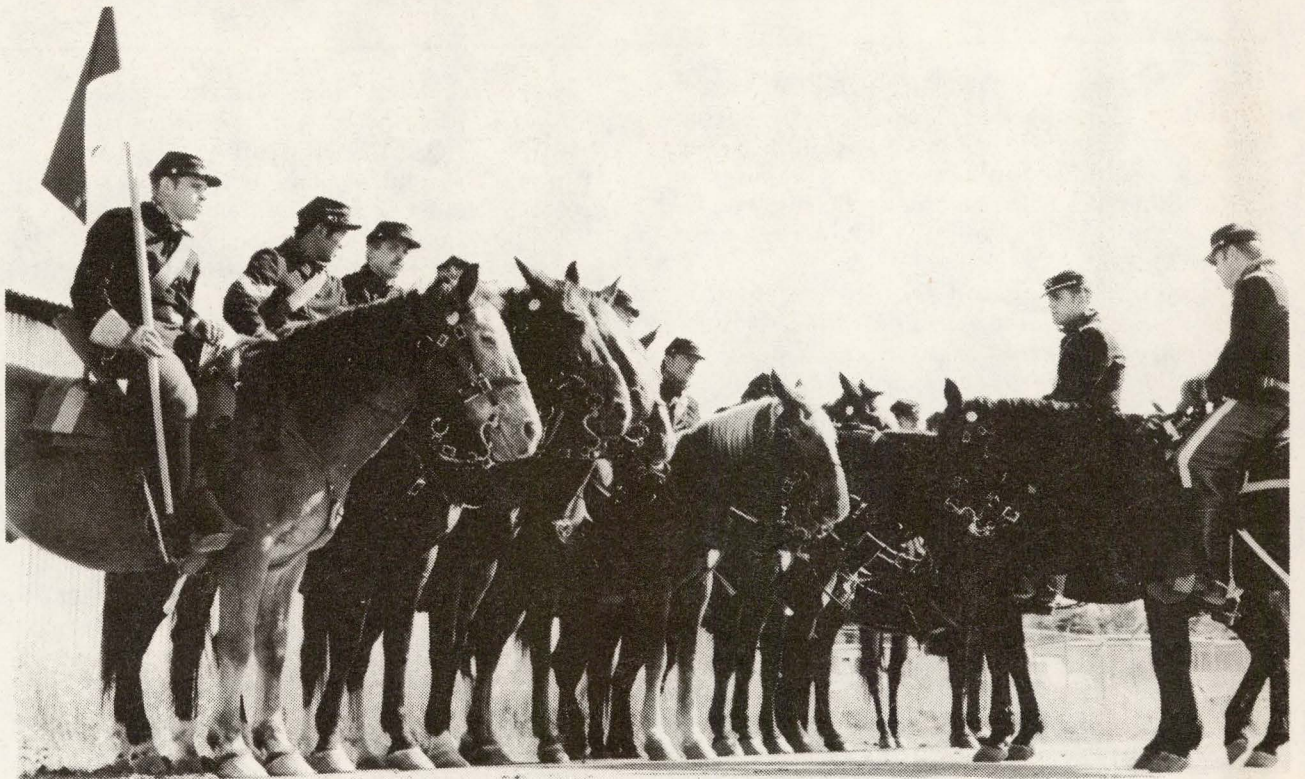
According to Maj. Wayne Allton, project officer, 30 soldiers are needed to help out in a number of areas. Most important among them are participating in the Armed Forces Day pageant dressed in period uniforms and helping tend to horses which will be housed in post stables.

"The highlight of our Armed Forces Day activities is the pageant being held twice during the day. Present and dressed in authentic uniforms of the period represented will be the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, Fort Huachuca's cavalry artillery team and reenactment groups covering the Civil War through World Wars I and II," states Allton.

The Presidio's observance will be held May 17 and will feature vehicle displays, as well as the pageant theme for the day, "A tribute to the American soldier."

"Nothing like this has been done on the Presidio in recent years," states Allton, "and it promises to be an inspiring and colorful experience."

Soldiers interested in becoming a part of history should contact Tony Turner at 561-4322.



Preparing for the charge

A Cavalry unit such as the group shown here will be a part of the 1980 Armed Forces Day

pageant on May 17. The project officer is looking for 30 soldiers to assist

Stray animals

Don't lose your pet or home because you lost control

by Tom Tiernan

The number of dog bites reported on the Presidio are on the increase.

According to Ms. Jo Ann Campbell, of the Vet Clinic, most of the bites are just scratches and no cases of rabies have been reported. But there is always the possibility that a victim could be bitten by a rabid pet.

"When a person is bitten they should go to the hospital and get the wound checked and cleaned. While there the victim will fill out a report on how the accident occurred and the name of the owner of the pet," Campbell explains.

"The report is sent to the Vet Clinic where we'll contact the owner and have him bring the animal in to see the vet to determine if the pet must remain here or may spend the 10 day quarantine with the owner," she continued.

"All soldiers on the post who have pets are required by regulation to register them with our office," states Campbell. "We check to make sure that all their shots are up to date and issue a rabies tag if the pet doesn't already have one."

According to SSgt. Preston Glover, of the Provost Marshal's office, post regulations require all pets to be on a leash when they are outside the sponsor's quarters, unless they are under voice control.

"Voice control does not mean opening the door and letting the dog run free. The animal must respond to voice command and the owner must be outside where he can control the pet," Glover explains.

A little known fact is that post regulations require pet owners to clean up after their animals. "Owners must clean up after pets which soil or damage neighbor's grounds, cultivated or paved public areas. This includes all areas of the Presidio," comments Glover.

Owners of pets who do not control their animals may be subject to a number of disciplinary actions.

Presidio regulation 210-10 states control of pets includes seeing that they are prevented from doing the following:

- Attacking or physically menacing personnel or other pets which are under voice or physical control.
- Disturbing the peace and domestic tranquility through unnecessary noise by barking or other means.
- Chasing vehicle or bicycle traffic.
- Quarters residents bothered by pets who are unattended or who see animals being mistreated should contact the Family Housing office to place their complaint.

Family Housing will ask the military police to

investigate the situation to determine if the complaint is valid.

Pet owners who are found to be the subject of a valid complaint will be notified in writing by the

Family Housing office that subsequent violations may result in removal of the pet from the installation or disciplinary action against the owner to include possible termination of his government quarters.



For adoption

PFC Karon Ogden of the Presidio Vet Clinic has her hands full with this mother cat and her four kittens. The kittens were born recently at the clinic after the mother cat had been abandoned. The kittens will be avail-

able for adoption in another week. They'll be held at the clinic for several days before being turned over to the San Francisco SPCA. If you are interested in one of the kittens contact the clinic at 561-3744.

Time to spare

Ray Charles is in town through Sunday performing at **"The Stone."** Tickets for the performances are \$9.50 in advance and \$11 at the door.

The **Oakland symphony** under the baton of Calvin Simmons will present music by Leonard Bernstein at the **Paramount Theatre tomorrow at 11 a.m.**

"Alice in Wonderland" will be presented by the Bean Bag Theater at **San Francisco State University tomorrow at noon and 2 p.m.**

Additional performances are scheduled for May 3. Tickets are 50 cents.

Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes perform tomorrow evening at the **Circle Star Theater in San Carlos.**

The **Presidio Officers' Club** will be converted to a tropical isle on **April 30** for a **Polynesian luau** complete with an Island buffet.

Things get underway at 6 p.m. with a floor show planned for 9 p.m.

Make your **reservations** early by calling 561-4260.

Take a trip back to the 50's with the original **"Shireles."** The group will perform live at the **Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club April 30 at 9 and 11 p.m.** The club's doors will be open to all Presidio soldiers and civilian employees.

The advanced acting class of the theatre arts department at **San Francisco State University**, will present Shakespeare's **"Twelfth Night," April 30 at 8 p.m.,** in the Studio Theater on the university campus.

Additional performances are scheduled for May 1 through 3 at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

The **Gossamer Albatross**, the human powered airplane that made aviation history when it crossed the English Channel in the summer of 1979 will be on display at the **Exploratorium** May 3 to June 16.

San Francisco State University's Symphony Orchestra will present its final concert of the season **May 4 at 3:30 p.m.** in the Lone Mountain Theater, 2800 Turk Street.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Billy Jaye, a well known San Francisco comedian will appear during the **Presidio Recreation Center's Rock and Roll Night May 7.**

The Recreation Center is currently taking reservations for several tours during the month of May.

The first is a **Three-in-one** tour of the **Acres of Orchids**, the **Winchester Mystery House** and the **San Jose Flea Market on May 17.**

Reservations are also available for the **Sacramento River Cruise on May 31.** For more information contact the Rec Center after 2 p.m. at 561-2000.

New classes are about to begin at the Recreation Center in such areas as sewing, guitar, cake decorating, belly dancing, and dynamite dancing which features disco, cha cha, tango, swing and touch dancing. For more information call the Rec Center.

Reduced priced Giants and Great American tickets are available from the Rec Center.

For more information call 561-2000.

Olympian does his running here

by Charles Dasey
LAMC PAO

An assorted crew of lunchtime runners musters at the gym every day. They loosen up for a few minutes, then head off, solo or in twos or threes, toward Fort Point or the Marina Green or one of the courses that loop through the Presidio scenery. Some lope along in an airborne shuffle; some go smooth and steady; and some are downright fast, with that lean and hungry look, and they go disappearing down the track faster than you can say Suleiman Nyambui.

One of them is a ringer. Lt. Col. Arnie Sowell, Sixth Army's chief of Material Readiness, doesn't run quite as fast as he did 25 years ago, but he's still out there ahead of the pack.

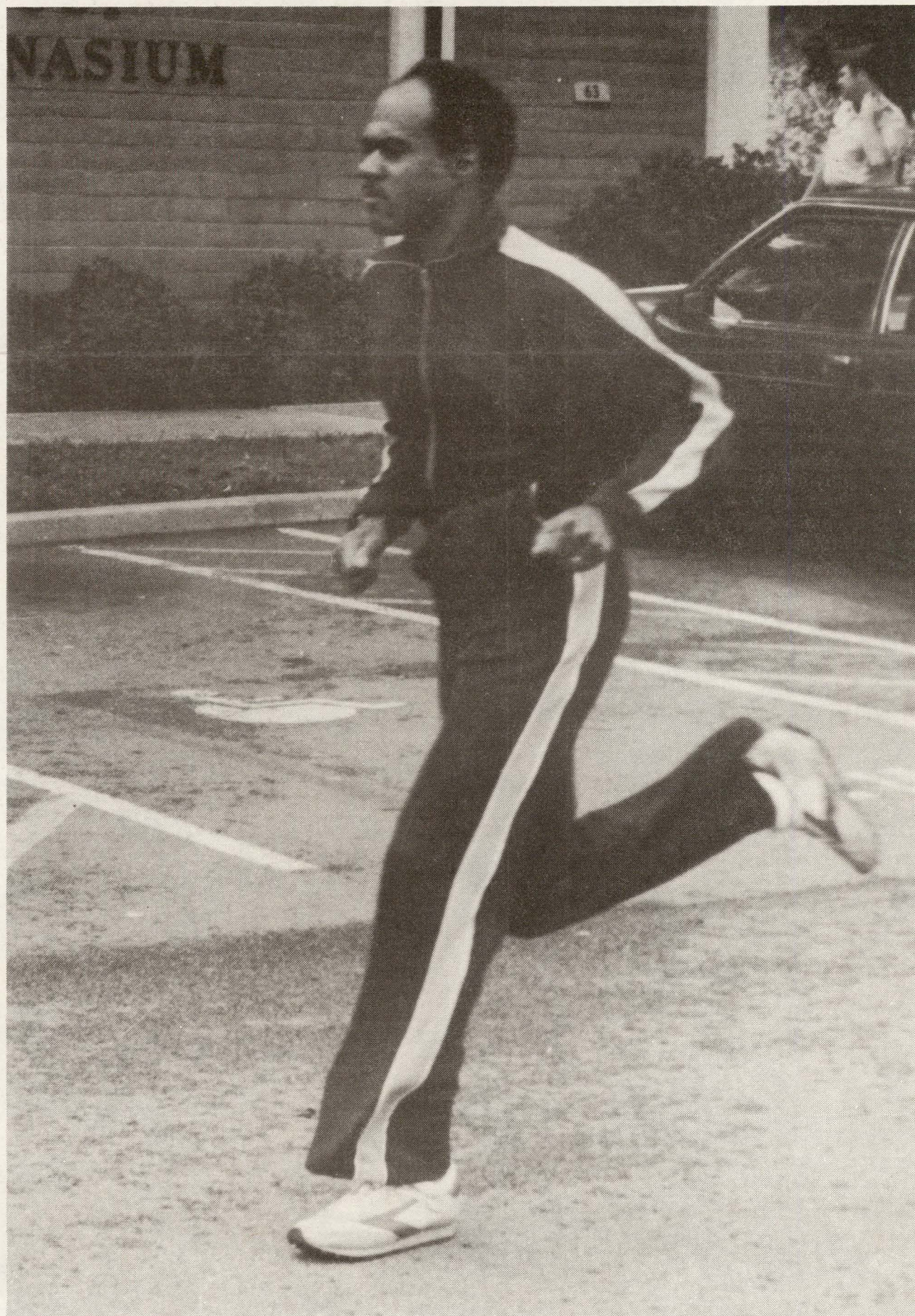
In 1955, Sowell was one of the hottest runners in the country. A junior ROTC student at the University of Pittsburgh, Sowell set an American record in the half mile with a time of one minute, 47.6 seconds. At the national AAU Indoor Championships in Madison Square Garden, he tied the world record while winning the 1,000 yard title. A week later, again in the Garden, he won another major intercollegiate championship, the IC4A, in the 1,000. He went through the whole indoor season without losing a race.

In 1956 he qualified for the United States Olympic team in the 800 meters. In a race that was one of the most exciting events of the Melbourne games, Sowell placed fourth, a fifth of a second too late for the bronze medal, and only three fifths of a second behind the record-breaking winner. Sowell's fourth place time of 1:48.3 was still faster than the previous Olympic record time for 800 meters, set in 1948.

Taking the lead on the first turn, Sowell kept it through the first lap. Then teammate Tom Courtney, a graduate of Fordham University, whom Sowell had met and defeated handily in intercollegiate races, took the lead. Courtney led for most of the second lap, with Sowell on his shoulder. In the final straight, Derek Johnson of Great Britain shot between them to take the lead. In a dazzling burst of speed, Courtney passed Johnson to win. Courtney's final effort took so much out of him that he had to be helped off the track, and the award ceremony was delayed several minutes while he recovered.

Looking back on his Olympic experiences, Sowell considered the most memorable part of it to be the recognition that top runners receive in their countries. "In Europe," he said, "people know the names and statistics of runners the way Americans know football, basketball and baseball players. Track is a major sport there."

Assigned to the Presidio in 1978, Sowell has taken advantage of the year-round mild climate and the varied topography that offers both flats and hills. He likes the active masters program the Bay Area running community offers, and the abundance of races to choose from. He worked his way up to about 60 miles of road running per week last year, and won the masters division of the Bridge to Bridge Race in October. Since then, a knee injury, attributed to running on the paved roads too much, has forced him to cut his mileage, but he's building up again.



A man on the move

Lt. Col. Arnie Sowell of Sixth Army begins his daily run from the main post gym. Sowell was a member of the 1956 U. S. Olympic team

which participated in the games in Australia.

(Photo by Chuck Dasey)

Sports

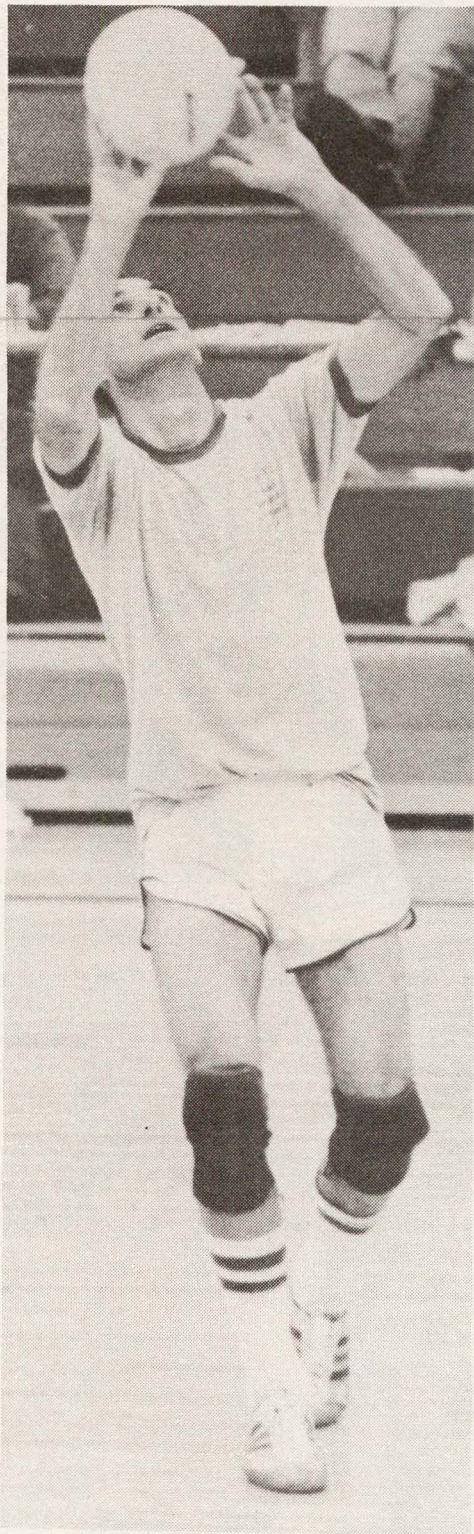
Season opens for post teams

The Presidio men's and women's slow pitch softball teams will take on McClellan Air Force Base in their season opener Saturday at 2 p.m. on the Fort Scott field.

The women's team, coached by Daryl Arrington of LAMC, will play on diamond number one, while the men's team coached by Terry Lohon, USAG, will play on diamond number two.

Post bowlers head eastward

The 1980 FORSCOM Bowling Tournament will be held April 28 through May 2 at Fort Carson, Colo. and the following top bowlers in the area have been selected to represent the Presidio:



Bending over

John Funes appears to be bending over backwards during a recent volleyball game. Funes and LAMC's Paepae Mika were selected to participate in the All-Army volleyball trials. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Women's Division

Lorien Fleck, 170th MP Co.
Anna Hunkin, Western Region Recruiting Command
Dona Dunbar, Western Region Recruiting Command
Marla Freeman, LAIR

Men's Division

Thomas Davis, Sixth Army Band
Roger Goodman, U.S. Army Communications Command
Anthony LeCroy, LAMC
Oliver McGuire, LAMC

Golfers on road

The post golf team will be traveling to Chabot Golf Course, May 2 to compete in the Northern California Armed Forces Golf League.

LAIR tops MPs in golf action

In golf action last week the spirited 504th MP's putted itself past previously undefeated LAIR, for their first victory of the season, winning 6-3. Standings to date are as follows:

Team	Won	Loss
Region IX	2	0
LAIR	2	1
6th ARMY	1	1
504th MP Bn.	1	2

Youth tennis program set

Presidio Dependent Youth Activities is introducing a junior Davis Cup program for eligible youngsters ages 8 through 18. The program provides advanced training for youngsters and an opportunity to participate in sanctioned NCTA tournaments.

The program will begin April 29, and will run every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. for six weeks. The class is limited to 12 youngsters.

The fee is \$25 for the entire six-week program. Fees are payable at Morale Support Activities Office, Bldg. 122, between 8 a.m. and noon. For more information, call Mr. Porter, at 561-5143.

Swim program planned

The Sports Branch is currently planning a comprehensive swimming program, which will include beginning, intermediate, and advanced swimming; advanced lifesaving; swim to stay fit, water basketball; and innertube water polo.

If enough people show interest in any of the above programs classes will begin shortly.

For more information, call Mr. Gaffney, 561-4120/5032 after 1:30 p.m.

New hours

Starting Sunday, the Presidio Bowling Center will have Moonlite Bowling for dollars every other Sunday.

Gold Pin Bowling will continue on the remaining Sundays. Also, the new starting time for these events will be 7:30 p.m.

You must be 18 years old to participate. All questions should be directed to SFC Hawkins at 561-5042 or 2080.

LAMC takes cup

The 1980 Post Command Sergeants Major's Cup was concluded last week, with the champions coming from the foursome from LAMC knocking down a total of 2,408 pins. Two of the foursome, Anthony LeCroy and Oliver McGuire, have been selected to the FORSCOM Bowling Team.

Fun Run set

The monthly "Fun Run Race" will be held April 30 at noon.

The run will be a two mile race, with the start/finish at Post Gym No. 1. All runners on post are invited to participate. For more information, call Bob Darling, 561-4120 or 5032 or visit Post Gym No. 1, building 63.

Team meeting

The Sports Branch will conduct the 1980 intramural slow pitch softball competition beginning May 5. An organizational meeting will be conducted at 1 p.m. April 28 at post gym no. 1.

Units entering a team must have a team representative at this meeting.

All those interested in umpiring should contact Mr. Gascon at 561-3364.

Tennis tourney

The 1980 post tennis tournament will begin April 26 and will be played on the following successive weekends through May 11 at various courts on post.

The competition will be singles play only, with double eliminations in each division.

Some finishers in the tourney will be selected for the post team which goes to the FORSCOM Tournament in June.

Anyone wishing further information should visit or call the Sports Branch Office, Post Gym No. 1, at 561-4120/5032.

Tennis tips

The Forehand: The forehand drive should be played halfway between the knees and hip. If the player is right handed, he should be facing slightly to his right, and if he is left handed, just the opposite is true. Always finish the stroke higher than the point of contact.

The Backhand: The backhand drive is played with the right hander turning his right hip to the net and playing through the ball with the follow through higher than the point of contact. The left hander should have his left hip to the net and also follow through high.

The Lob: The lob is executed similarly to the forehand or backhand drive in that contact should be made slightly under the ball with the racquet face open. Finish the stroke with a short follow through keeping a firm wrist.

The Serve: The most common error made by the beginner and intermediate player is an inconsistent ball release. Lift the ball to a comfortable height and release it with the palm up and tossing arm straight and extended.

Chorale to give noontime concert

Members of the U.S. Air Force Academy Chorale will perform next Friday from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. on the post parade field.

According to Mr. Jim Hudgins, chief of community relations for the post, the group's performance is to say "thank you" to the Presidio for

providing the group with transportation and billeting during their stay in the Bay area.

The group is in town to perform at local high schools.

The performance is also part of the post's on-

going program to improve the quality of life on the Presidio and morale and understanding among soldiers and civilians.

"Everyone on post is invited to bring a brown-bag lunch and sit out on the grass and enjoy the concert," Hudgins adds.

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Church services

All Presidio protestants are invited to attend the 200th anniversary of the founding of Sunday School, which will be observed in the total Protestant Post Chapel Program, April 27.

The day's activities will begin with a combined Sunday School program at the Religious Activities Center, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Special services emphasizing the anniversary will be conducted at 9 and 11 a.m. at the post chapel, and at the 11 a.m. service at the Fort Scott Chapel.

Finally, at 12:30 p.m., all participants are invited to attend a potluck at the Fort Scott athletic field. A variety of games, projects and entertainment will be provided.

Meeting planned

The Presidio Enlisted Wives' Club will host a special community meeting April 29 at 7 p.m. in the Log Cabin to discuss and plan programs for post teenagers and pre-teens. Guest speakers for the evening will be from the military police investigator's juvenile section. All interested parents on the Presidio and its sub-posts are invited to attend.

Visit announced

The Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten will be visited next Friday at 9:30 a.m. by Marine World Africa USA. A group from the amusement park will present a slide show of their animals and bring along a hawk, bobcat and llama to show the children.

Special lunch set

The Presidio Equal Opportunity Branch is sponsoring a **Cinco de Mayo luncheon, May 5** at a surprise restaurant in downtown San Francisco.

Interested persons are asked to call 561-5730 or 3701 to reserve a place on the bus which will be provided free of charge.

The bus will depart the Main PSF bus stop at 11:45 a.m. and return at 1 p.m.

Participants will receive a 15 percent reduction on the cost of their meal.

Classes set

Registration for San Francisco State University on-post classes is currently underway at the Fort Scott and Letterman Army Medical Center Education Centers.

The next semester begins May 12 and will end August 22. Courses being offered this term include:

- **Monday—Biology 317—Environmental Hazards to Man** (two semester hours)

- **Tuesday—Anthropology 120—Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology** (three semester hours)

- **Wednesday—Psychology 456—Psychology of Human Sexual Behavior** (three semester hours)

- **Thursday—English 107—Second Year Composition** (three semester hours with English 106 as a prerequisite)

Tuition is \$45 per semester hour. Active duty soldiers may apply for 75 percent tuition assis-

tance up to four days before class begins.

Books will be sold at the SFSU bookstore Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information contact either the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-2974 or the LAMC branch at 561-4030.

Hall to speak

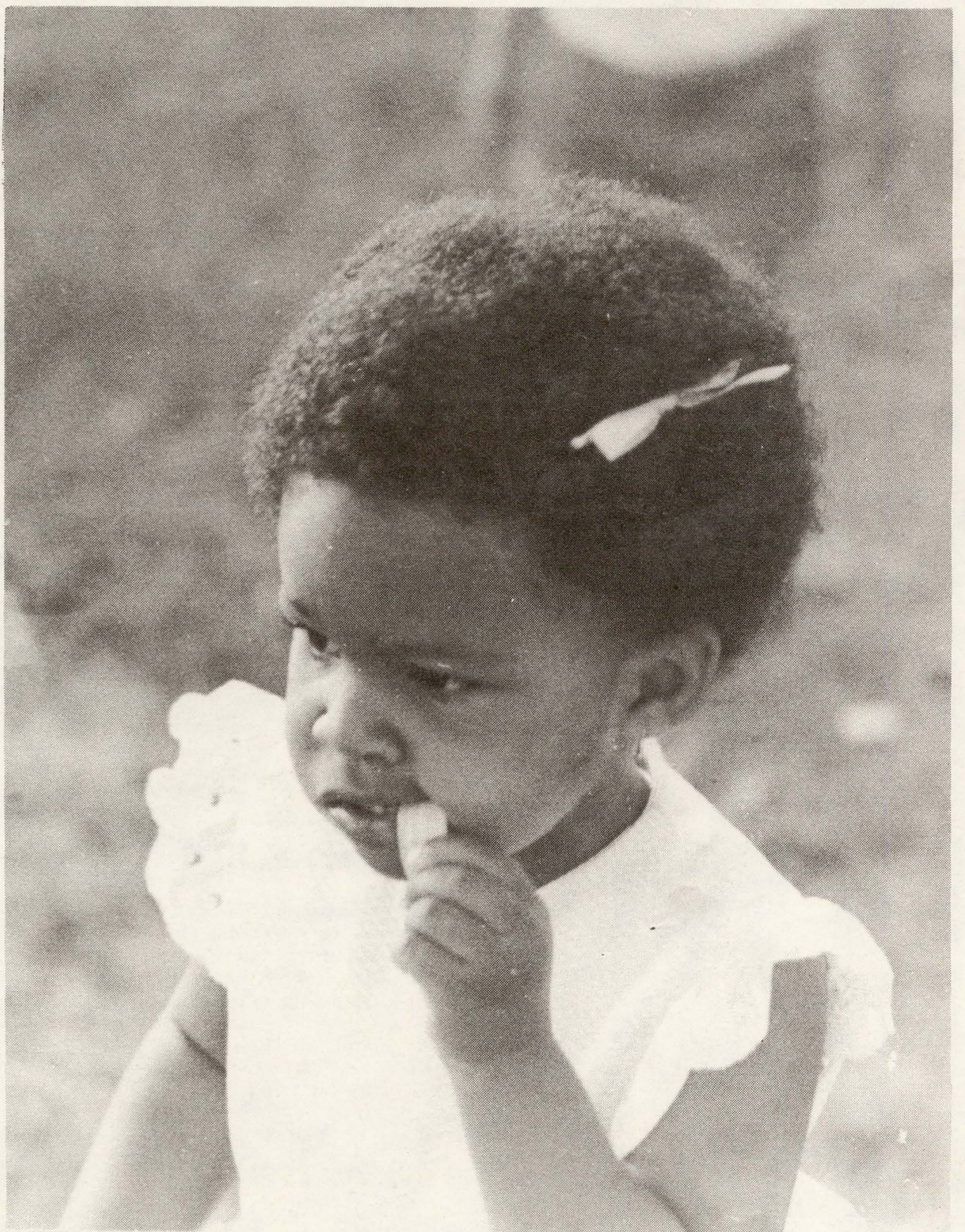
Post Commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., will be the guest speaker at the Reserve Officers Association, Chapter 6, dinner meeting May 1 Presidio Officers Club. Reservations are required, by sending a check for \$8 per person to Col. Angus L. Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, 94611. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m.

Family classes

The Presidio Preschool/kindergarten is currently holding **family development classes** each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. The classes are free and all interested parents are invited to attend.

School sign up set

The Presidio Preschool/kindergarten is currently taking **applications for summer school starting June 9 and the fall term** which will begin Sept. 2. For more information contact Mrs. Arylene Ballard at 562-4805.



Youthful innocence

An unidentified little girl enjoys a treat without noticing that Sgt. 1st Cl. R.J. Moyes of Sixth Army was snapping her picture. Moyes' photographic talents earned her this

week's Photo of the Week. The Star Presidian is looking for your favorite photo to fill this spot. Just bring your photo by our newsroom on the second floor of building 37.

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Bike thief may have had help

by Tom Tiernan

A San Francisco juvenile arrested two weeks ago in connection with a bicycle theft has been found to have used a master lock code book to help him steal the bike.

According to SSgt. Preston Glover, of the Provost Marshal's office, the youth may have made extra copies and sold them to others.

"This creates the possibility that other bikes may be stolen by having the lock removed," warns Glover.

"Most lock manufacturers publish a master code book which lists the serial number for all locks they made during a certain time frame. This enables a locksmith to look up the serial number and get the combination to the lock," Glover explains.

"In some states, this book is only available to locksmiths. In other areas, all you have to do is

know where to send the money," Glover continued.

Military police believe the youth obtained his copy of the book through illegal means.

The arrest of the juvenile is also credited with helping break up an off-post bicycle theft ring.

To protect your bike, the military police suggest that if you have a combination lock, you write down both the combination and the serial number. Then make the serial number unreadable with an etcher.

"Most bicycles stolen from the Presidio were secured, but not in the proper manner," states 2nd Lt. Kevin Burr of the Military Police investigation section.

"Whenever possible, run the cable or chain through both wheels and the frame and then secure it to an immovable structure," advises Burr.

Burr recommends that when purchasing a lock, riders should select those which are case-hardened.

Bikes should never be left unattended even for a few seconds. Whenever possible, they should be put inside.

To help increase the possibilities of the return of a stolen bike, riders should engrave their drivers license number on the bicycle and register it with the military police.

According to Burr, crime prevention is everyone's responsibility and asks you to "watch out for suspicious persons and report anything unusual to the military police."

"There is no sure way to prevent all bikes from falling prey to being ripped off, but if you follow these measures, you may make it more difficult for a potential thief," Burr concluded.

Week to salute Asian-Americans

Asian and Pacific American week will be observed throughout our nation May 7 through 13.

Although the post is postponing its observance until later in the year, Letterman Army Medical Center is opening their activities to the entire Presidio community.

The observance of Asian and Pacific American Week brings into focus the many contributions made to our nation by persons whose roots lie in China, Japan, the Philippines, the Pacific Islands and Southeast Asia.

In proclaiming the week's celebration, President Carter had this to say, "American's strength is in the heart of its people and the richness of its cultural diversity. Those who have come from Asian and Pacific countries have long added a special quality to our American mosaic. In spite of adversity, in spite of violence inflicted on their peoples and cultures, Asian and Pacific Americans have shed sweat and blood in the struggle for America's nationhood and in the quest for freedom and opportunity. Out of all proportion to their numbers, Asian and Pacific Americans have contributed to our nation's progress in a wide range of fields—science, the

arts, literature, agriculture, industry and commerce. . . They have greatly enriched our cultural heritage and institutions."

This year the Letterman Army Medical Center Human Relations Council at the Presidio will sponsor an Asian-Pacific American Heritage Week program May 12 to 16.

According to MSgt. Reynaldo Arcino, "Our program developers include people from many groups throughout the Asian and Pacific Island family." "I used the word 'family' on purpose because it represents togetherness and unity. That's why our theme this year is 'We Are Family', he commented. "We are all proud to be working together as one team for a common goal and a good human relations cause. Our entire group has dedicated its efforts and energy to preparing a program so that we can collectively share a part of our multi-ethnic culture with others within this military community. All of us look forward to having a maximum number on post take part in our special heritage activities this year."

Eiko Ashizawa is an Occupational Health Nurse on post and is of Japanese-American background. Besides her genuine 'Florence

Nightingale' human outreach as a nurse to people, she has volunteered to help develop a special fashion show for the week long observance.

"I enjoy being in tune with people because it is pleasant to relate to my fellow human beings. We all have some qualities of worth that we can mutually share with one another," she said. "Nursing has certainly helped me to fine tune myself to be sensitive to other people's feeling and way of life," she added. "Human friendship and kindness are definitely healthy kinds of 'medicine' for everyone. I am grateful for my daily experiences by which I have realized human growth in a most satisfying way," she remarked.

Schedule of Events

May 12	11:30 am-1 pm	Martial arts demonstration	LAIR auditorium
May 13	10:30 am-1:30 pm	Fashion show	LAIR auditorium
May 14	1 to 1:30 pm	Films	Schwartz Theater
May 15	11:30 am-1:00 pm	No-host lunch	Officers' Club
May 16	Noon to 1:30 pm	Variety show	LAIR auditorium

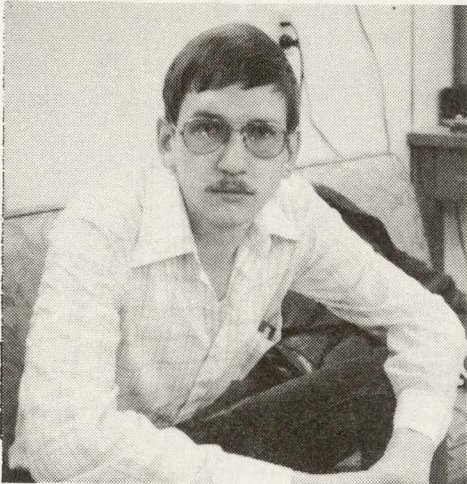
We'll be back on Armed Forces Day hope you will

A member of the Antique Military Vehicle Collector's association seems to be passing a message to his fellow soldiers during ceremonies honoring the visit of Prince Albert of Belgium. The group is one of several that will participate in the Presidio's Armed Forces Day pageant on May 17. The colorful show will trace the history of the American soldier from 1775 to the present. The Old Guard Fife and Drum team, and drill team will also be on hand for the two presentations of the pageant. (Photo by Ken Juber)



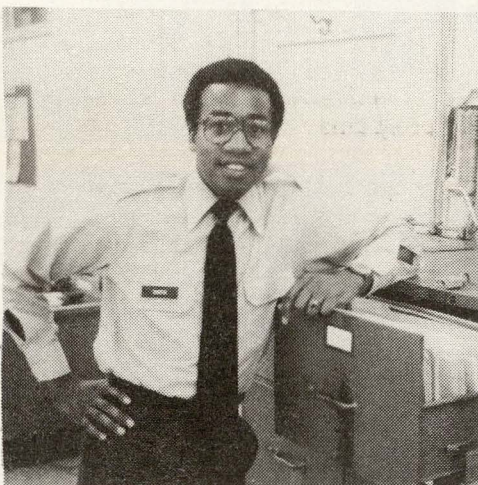
Ramblin' Sam

How can training
be more realistic?



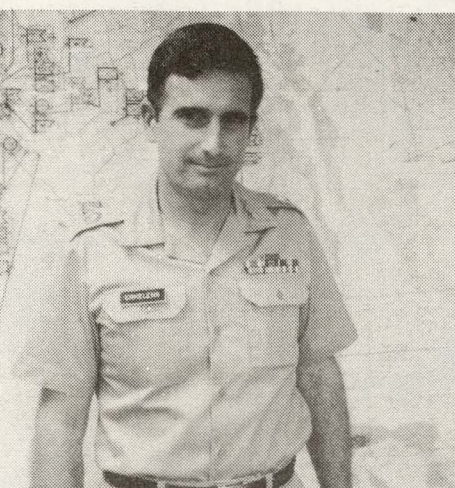
Sp5 Stephen Meeks, 6227 USAR School—"I think if it related more directly to what people are doing. If it was flexible in relating to their use of the information as opposed to an idealistic situation."

MSgt. Salvador M. Suarez, Sixth Army NCO Academy—"Add realism to all training programs. Fit the soldier into an environment more suitable to his training. Required equipment and materials should be available to soldiers to assist in the training mission." firing and road marches."



Sp4 Darrell Smith, Sixth Army Engineers—"We should go back to basic training-like situations and use live fire training, night firing and road marches."

Maj. Rick Lamison, Readiness Group San Francisco—"Realistic training can be improved by a reduction in the administrative burden placed on today's commanders, therefore, freeing them to adequately plan, supervise and execute better training."



Col. "Rik" Erkelens, Readiness Group San Francisco—"Make it as close to the real thing as possible. Use ingenuity, imagination and innovativeness and make sure it matches the mission."

Someone cares

You hear a lot of soldiers complaining these days, that no one cares about their plight. They give you the impression that their supervisors, commanders and senior Army officials have turned their backs on the troubles which confront today's servicemembers.

But it isn't quite so.

A lot of times the things which soldiers need and want to improve the quality of their life is tied down by legislation in Congress or due to a lack of funds. It is not that no one cares.

Our senior Army leadership, to include the Secretaries of the Army and Defense have openly and vocally supported new legislation in Congress which would work to improve the everyday existence of all members of the Armed Forces.

Even though these measures are still a ways down the road, there is an organization which helps the soldier whenever he is in trouble—Army Emergency Relief.

AER provides emergency loans and sometimes grants to soldiers, their dependents, and retirees when emergencies arise, such as deaths in the family, lost pay checks, or when the financial burden leaves a soldier without money to feed his family.

Money from AER also go toward providing scholarships for worthy dependent students who might

otherwise have a difficult time raising the money for college.

Last year money from AER helped 202 Presidians with loans and grants totaling \$44,000. That's an average of \$217 per person.

Army-wide the average loan or grant in 1979 was \$215, with most going to junior enlisted soldiers E-4 and below.

Getting an AER loan is really quite simple too. If a soldier finds himself in an emergency situation, all he has to do is contact his unit who will help him submit a request for AER funds and send it over to the AER officer who will evaluate the need for the loan.

AER is supported solely by voluntary contributions from soldiers. The fund receives no other monies.

If a true financial hardship exists, the loan may be granted. In cases where repaying the loan might add to the hardship, then a grant may be awarded.

Anyone may contribute to AER, however, and their gifts are certainly welcomed.

The Presidio AER drive is currently underway and if you'd like to show you care, dig deep and give what you can to help "the Army takes care of its own."

The Editor

Reader Opinion

Dear Editor,

Parents of the Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten are always ready to pitch-in and give of their time and talents for the school.

Ann and Bart Welter, Donna and Tom Manders, Linda Christensen, Gertie Francoise, and Steve Friese are a few of the parents who are responsible for the success of the school's Second Annual Fund Raising Bazaar which was held in March. Because of their numerous hours of time and labor, \$1500 was raised which will enable the school to set up a library center.

Wayne Campbell recently built a large clubhouse for the children which was painted by Bob Box and Steve Friese.

A French garden was also recently added by Phillip Ballard and Steve Friese which will enable the students to plant and tend a garden.

Devon Merritt has contributed her time and talents for many art layouts for the school.

The tireless efforts of Steve Friese has been a direct contribution to the success of the school. He has served with much dedication as president of the parent board for the last three years.

These parents, as well as other Preschool/Kindergarten parents too numerous to mention, are always ready to lend a helping hand for the school and ultimately for the children.

This letter is to let them know how very much their help and contributions are appreciated.

Arlyene Ballard
Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten Director

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Suggestion campaign underway

The 1980 Presidio suggestion campaign is currently underway. The drive which began yesterday is designed to "stimulate participation and provide prompt, thorough, and fair evaluations of suggestions," states Mrs. Barbara Eckstrom, of the Incentive Awards section of Civilian Personnel.

Eckstrom points out that Presidio soldiers and civilians submitted suggestions totaling over \$176,000 in first years savings during fiscal year 1979.

"This is one program that applies to both military and civilians," Eckstrom emphasized. "The awards given are identical."

To help improve the approval of suggestions, Eckstrom has prepared two booklets for distribu-

tion around post. The first will help suggestees write their suggestions and the second will help evaluator evaluate the ideas.

"I want to help show evaluators they don't have to disapprove a suggestion just because this is the way we've been doing this for years; but that they should study the suggestion carefully to see if any portion of it can be adopted or modified," Eckstrom explains.

As part of this year's campaign, the Incentive Awards office is also sponsoring a **poster contest**.

The theme for the contest entries is energy conservation. Posters must be submitted on paper not smaller than 8x10½ inches and not

larger than 14x22 inches.

According to Eckstrom there will be one weekly winner beginning May 23 and continuing through June 13. All entries must be submitted by noon on Friday of each week during the contest.

Posters will be judged primarily on their effectiveness in promoting the need for energy conservation ideas. Special credit will be given to posters which support the total suggestion program.

Winners of the contest will receive a \$25 cash award.

Materials and space to make the posters will be available at the post craft shop.

White Paper '80

Training is the difference

(This is the seventh in a series of eight articles)

The challenge of commanders in the 80's **"Must be the total preparation of each Army unit to go to war—and win,"** maintains Gen. E. C. Meyer in his "White Paper 1980."

The Army Chief breaks down the training needed into three different areas: individual training, unit training, and training support.

The first task of individual training is to properly select the new soldier for training in the right skill needed by the force, according to Meyer.

The need to provide motivated, disciplined and physically capable soldiers, and provide those soldiers with a tough and challenging experience demands a strong group of qualified trainers, Meyer says. These trainers, he observes, are "the Army's Non-Commissioned Officers."

NCO development programs aimed at providing "effective leaders and trainers" to deal with preparing the Army's soldiers of the 1980's will receive added attention.

In addition to better NCO development programs, the General maintains the Army must

"make better use of the wealth of training materials available."

The Army team must cut down on training distractions, Meyer asserts, adding that time is an asset **"we cannot afford to waste."**

Because of limited resources, basic and AIT trainers will not be able to train soldiers in all required tasks. Thus, unit commanders will face the added challenge in the 1980's of mixing individual training into unit training to benefit both the individual and the team, he adds.

The management of unit training resources and schedules will be aided by new systems developed by the Army's training and doctrine personnel, states Meyer.

Emphasis on the ability of Army units to deploy quickly and fight as cohesive combined arms teams will be a focus of unit training objectives in the 80's.

"What is true for the active Army is equally true for the reserve components," observes Meyer. **Reserve Component Unit Training will emphasize wartime missions, planning and command responsibilities for those missions, and hands-on skill training on mobilization equipment.**

The National Training Center, Fort Irwin, Calif., is an important part of the training support program for the Army of the 80's.

"IT (Fort Irwin) will provide two weeks of realistic combat training for our heavy battalions, to include air deployment, movement of equipment from prepositioning, and engagement against a sophisticated opposing force in a sophisticated electronic warfare environment," states Meyer.

Training support at ranges and training areas worldwide will be managed under the Army Master range plan. Meyer says the plan will "match the training demands of new equipment and force structure."

Increased use of training devices is planned by the Army chief. These devices are intended "to reduce fuel usage, cut training costs, and improve training effectiveness" when mixed into unit training programs.

"In any epoch, the difference between a rabble and an effective professional Army is training," remarks the general. "No task is more important than training as we face this decade."

Dependent travel delays ahead

Fewer command sponsored dependents will go overseas on concurrent travel beginning around July, according to a recent announcement by Department of the Army.

DoD recently set the Army ceiling at 168,000 to comply with the total overseas limit of 325,000 established for all services by Congress. This figure is well below what Army officials had anticipated when the new defense bill was passed last fall. Current figures show that the command

sponsored dependent population is slightly above the new ceiling now.

The Army hopes to reduce the number of dependents overseas by deferring some new dependent travel. This action is necessary to bring the figure down to meet the congressional deadline of September 30.

How many dependents will be affected and how long they will be delayed is not known at this

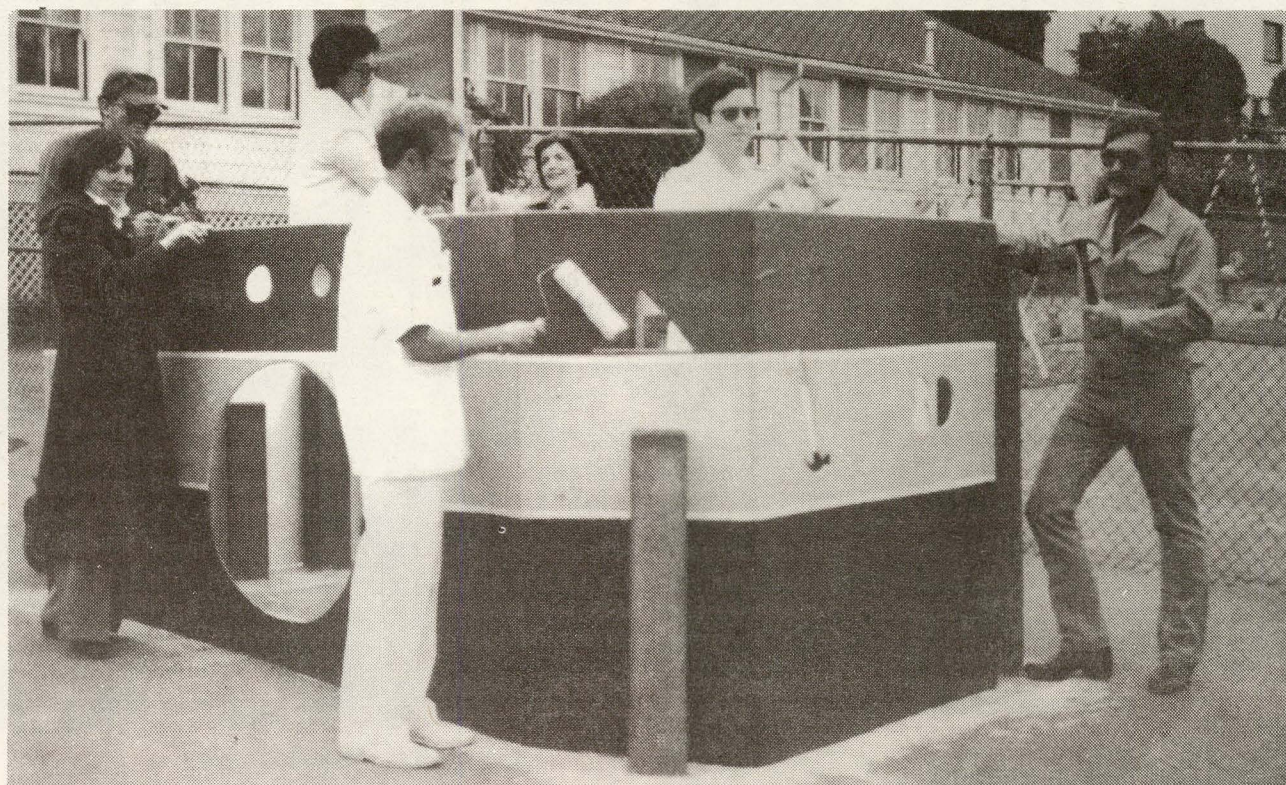
time. The delays in new travel could be one to two months or longer, an official stated.

Families already overseas are not affected by the new measure. Junior enlisted travel entitlements and existing privileges for non-command sponsored families will also continue, the official said.

Officials hope no long term deferred travel will be necessary.

Clubhouse built for preschool by busy parents

Parents from the Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten put the finishing touches on a new playhouse recently built at the school. The parents include (from left to right in the back) Donna Manders, Tom Manders, Gertie Francoise, Linda Christensen, Bob Box, Steve Friese, and Wayne Campbell. The group is also the motivating force behind a recent bazaar which raised more than \$1500 for the school. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)





You guys did this?

Prince Albert of Belgium talks with students from Judson High School in Scottsdale, Ariz., about the display they built depicting a scene from the Battle of the Bulge. The display can be seen at the post museum.

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Prince given a warm welcome

For several weeks some Presidians have been heard humming the tune, "Someday my prince will come," last Friday that day finally came as Crown Prince Albert of Belgium paid a royal visit to the post.

The prince, came to the post to officially open the Presidio Army Museum's new exhibit commemorating the Battle of the Bulge.

To welcome the prince, a ceremony fitting the king was arranged featuring soldiers from the 864th Engineers, a 21-gun salute and music by the Sixth Army Band.

Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, commander, Sixth Army, welcomed the prince to the post and San Francisco

The day also saw the prince reunited with an old friend, Mrs. Bernard Wilson.

Mrs. Wilson's, late husband, Brigadier General Bernard Wilson, is credited with liberating Prince Albert's great grandfather, King Leopold II from his German captors during World War II. The two had not seen each other since the prince was a child.

Following the outdoor ceremony, Prince Albert officially opened the Battle of the Bulge display by cutting a ribbon. The prince was then given a tour of the facility by Eric Saul, museum curator.

A royal welcome

Prince Albert of Belgium and Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, commander, Sixth Army, receive the salute during ceremonies marking the prince's visit to the Presidio.



Troopin' the line

Capt. Larry Jenkins, commander of troops for the ceremony honoring Crown Prince Albert

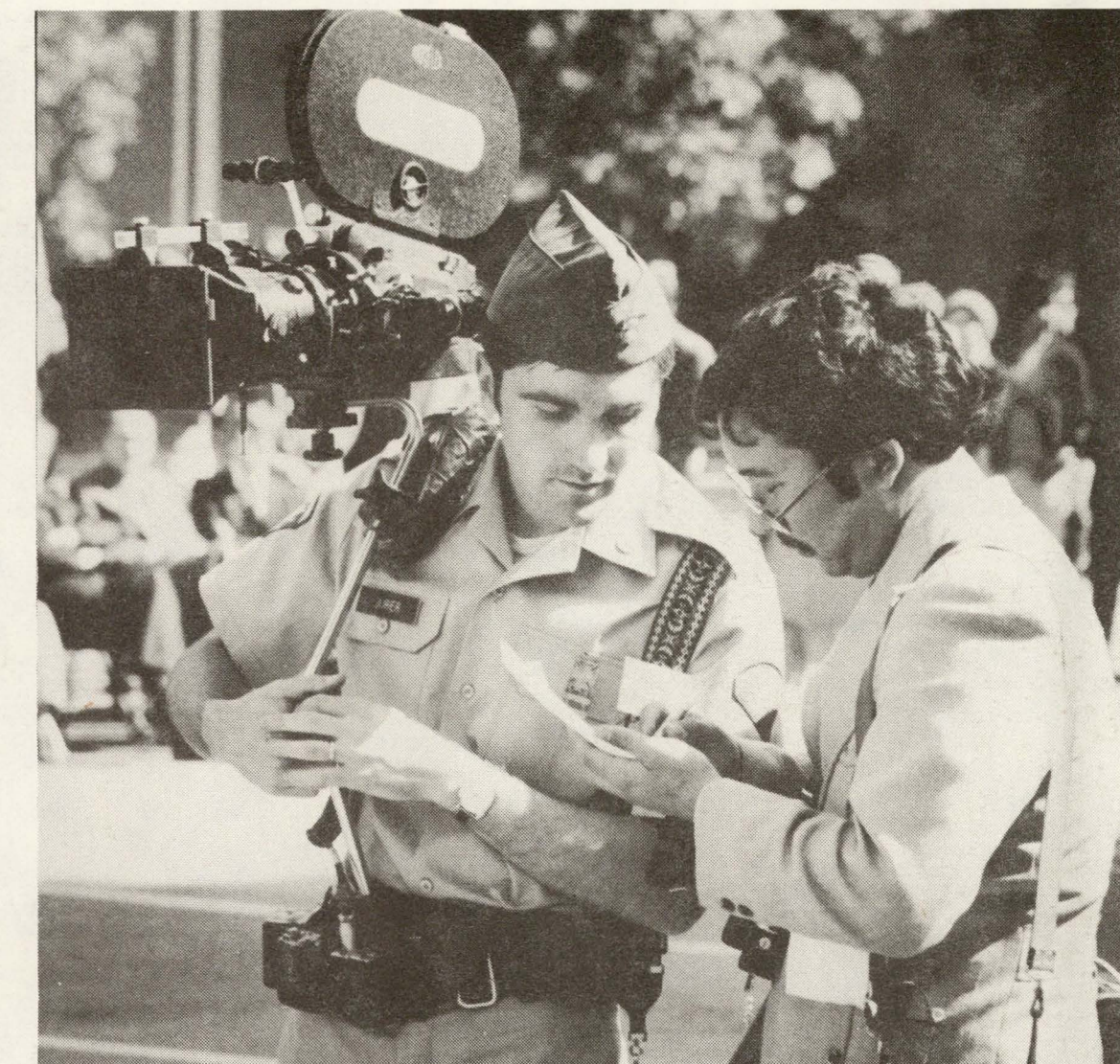
of Belgium, escorts the prince while he inspects the honor guard.



Special reunion

Prince Albert of Belgium greets Mrs. Bernard Wilson, whose late husband, a brigadier general in the Army, is

credited with saving the life of the prince's grandfather, King Leopold II during World War II.



Lending a hand

Photographer Ken Juber stops to aid a visiting member of the press who came to cover the visit of Prince Albert to the

Presidio. More than 30 Belgian and American newsmen were on hand for the ceremony.



The prince

Prince Albert of Belgium.

Photos by John Green and Steve Spigleman

Time to spare

The **Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club** presents the "**Thompson Brothers**," a country and western group tonight from **9 p.m. to 1 a.m.**

Tomorrow the **NCO/EM Club** presents all night disco featuring "**Non-stop LTD**" and Doc Webb.

San Francisco will observe **Cinco de Mayo** on **Sunday** with a parade and show sponsored by the 24th Street Merchants Association.

The parade will begin at **1 p.m.** at **16th and Market**. It will proceed south on Mission turning east on 24th Street ending at Potrero Avenue.

Immediately following the parade, a stage will be set up on the corner of 24th and Harrison Streets, for an afternoon of music, dancers, and other types of entertainment.

Cinco de Mayo is the Mexican equivalent of our Fourth of July celebration and is observed on May 5.

The **Stanford Jazz picnic** happens **Sunday** at the Frost Amphitheater beginning at **1 p.m.** Featured will be the George Duke Band, Tom Scott, and the Robben Ford Band.

Loretta Lynn, the "Coal Miner's Daughter," and **Jim Stafford** perform in concert **Sunday** at the **Concord Pavillion** beginning at **2 p.m.**

The **Golden Gate Theater** presents the "**Big Band Broadcast of 1944**" **May 6 through June 1**. Featured will be Harry James and his orchestra, Dennis Day, the Ink Spots, and Gordon MacRae among others.

Billy Jaye, a well-known San Francisco comedian will perform at the **Presidio Recreation Center** as part of the **May 7th** rock and roll night.

A new **cake decorating class** will begin **May 12** at the **Presidio Recreation Center**. A \$15 fee will be charged for the four week class.

Space is still available for the **Three in One tour** to the Acres of Orchids, Winchester Mystery House and the San Jose Flea Market on **May 17**.

If you are interested in the **Sacramento River Cruise** on **May 3** you must **sign up by May 7**. Cost of the trip is \$20.

The **Boardwalk at Santa Cruz Beach** will offer a special discount to all military personnel **May 17** from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and **May 18** from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The offer, part of a salute to the military, is available to **all active and retired military personnel, civilian employees, and dependents**. All you have to do is present a valid ID card or badge at the ticket booth to purchase any number of unlimited-ride wristbands.

The **Presidio Recreation Center** has the following **free or reduced price tickets**: Americanna Inn at Tahoe, Bay Meadows, Frontier Village, Disneyland, Great America, Giants, Knott's Berry Farm, Marine World-Africa USA, Movie World, Ponderosa Ranch, Queen Mary, Safari Club, San Diego Harbor excursion, Red and White Fleet, Seaworld, Universal Studios, and the Winchester Mystery House.

These tickets are available to all military dependents and civilians, retirees and reservists.



A different drummer

A member of a Japanese band performs during the recent Cherry Blossom festival at Japantown. Located on Geary Blvd., Japantown is a good spot for special buys on orien-

tal goods and to view cultural displays. The center holds frequent festivals and special events.

(Photo by Ken Juber)

New role for Log Cabin

New community center opens

by Tom Tiernan

In its nearly 50 years of existence, the Log Cabin on Fort Scott has been many things to soldiers stationed on the Presidio.

It has been a club for both officers and NCOs and most recently served as the post recreation center. Built by WPA workers in the 1930s the **Log Cabin** has now become the Presidio's **first community center**.

According to Mr. Daniel Holmes, of the Morale and Support Activities Division, the community center opened its doors three weeks ago and is already being widely accepted by the Presidio community.

"Already we've had a seminar, a wedding reception, and several meetings held there," states Holmes.

The center came into being in order to "give Presidians a place to go to hold their seminars,

meetings and other activities."

Although plans are currently underway to open the center to dependent youth, Holmes states, "This is not a teen center. It is not going to be used 100 percent of the time by children. It is designed for use by the entire community.

"The enlisted wives' club and the military police juvenile division are planning on setting up activities for the community's youth to keep them off the streets about three days a week."

Complete with fireplace, the center has enough rooms to allow three or four groups to use the facility at the same time. Although no kitchen facilities are available, two large barbecue pits are located on the center's patio.

Many classes held at the Presidio recreation center and one or two from the post craft shop will also be conducted at the center.

The center is available free of charge to all Presidio active duty military personnel and their

families, DoD civilians who work on the post, and retirees.

There are few rules prohibiting the type activities conducted in the center. However, gambling is not allowed and the use of alcohol must be approved by the post commander.

The center will be open from 1 to 6 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. On weekends and holidays, the doors will be open when activities are scheduled.

According to Holmes, the center will be available at all times by checking with his office, and making the arrangements. He hopes to have someone manning the center this summer.

Holmes also hopes to change the center's name so that people will remember it as a community center and not as "the Log Cabin club."

For more information or reservations call 561-2002.

Sports

Trout season opens at San Francisco's Lake Merced

Rainbow trout season in San Francisco is now open.

Fishing is permitted at the Lake Merced Recreation Area from an hour before sunrise to an hour after sunset. A unit of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, Lake Merced is located on Harding Road near Skyline Boulevard in the southwestern section of the city.

Prospects appear excellent.

Trout season closes on Dec. 31.

There are many holdover catchable trout from past seasons. Many run up to 12 to 14 inches in length.

During the season, the limit will be five fish a person per day. All fish must be retained when caught with no throwbacks. Use of live bait, with the exception of worms, is prohibited.

In order to use the facility, persons 16 years of age and over must have a California license with two trout stamps affixed at a cost of \$10 and also must have a San Francisco Fishing Permit which cost \$4 for season. Seniors 62 years and over, can get the permits for \$2.00, or 50 cents for one day.

Permits and State Licenses along with bait may be purchased at the Lake Merced boathouse. Boats may be rented at \$2 per hour, \$8 for six

hours or \$9 for all day with a \$10 deposit.

Senior Citizens with proper identification cards may inquire about special boat rental rates.

There is a special pontoon located near the boathouse for use by those persons 16 years of age and under who are fishing. A lifeguard will be on duty at the pontoon Saturdays and Sundays through the school year and daily during the summer school vacation period.

Additional information about Lake Merced, concerning fishing or boating or both, may be obtained by telephoning 566-0300.

Presidians lose one, win one in season opener

The Presidio men's and women's softball teams hosted McClellan AFB in their season opener with both teams losing the first game but to come roaring back in the second game of their doubleheaders with impressive wins.

The Men's team held McClellan to two runs through six innings on great defensive efforts by 16th AG's **Bobby Jenkins** and **Dexter Grayson**, of the 864th Engineers.

The top caved in, however, on the home team in the top half of the seventh inning, as McClellan scored eight runs, for a 10 to 2 victory.

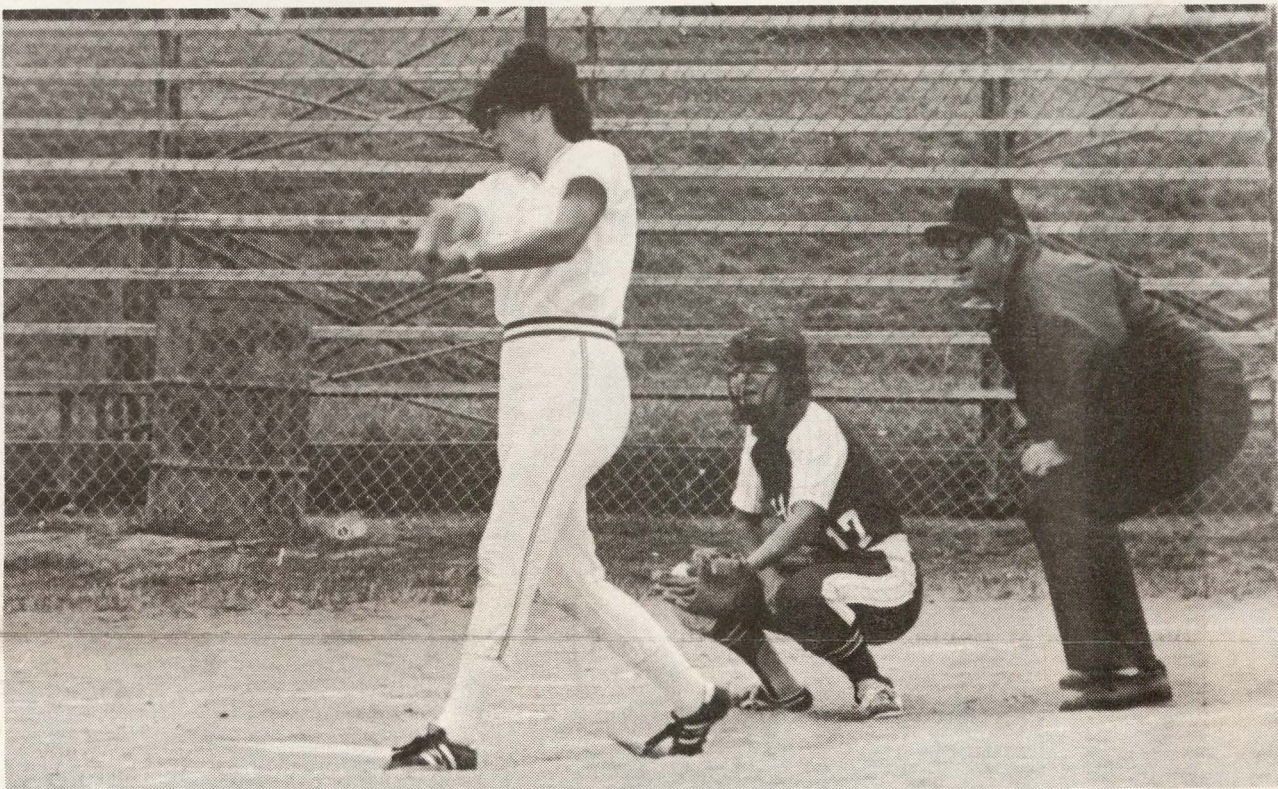
In the second game, the Presidio men's combined offense with defense by getting the scoring punch it needed from **Scott Carr**, **Sixth Army**, and **USAG's James Poole** and **Terry Loken**. Loken, who had five RBI's in the game, blasted a three run homer in the bottom of the seventh inning for a Presidio come-from-behind 7 to 5 win.

The Presidio women's team had to settle for a split when their pitching ace failed to find the plate in the top of the seventh inning during the first game.

Leading 7 to 4, the Presidio distaff team allowed the women from McClellan to score five runs on walks and some timely hitting to go down in defeat 9 to 7.

In the second game, it was all Presidio, as they blasted the ball all over the field for a 10 to 2 victory.

With the men's team on field 1 and the women on field 2, Presidio hosts Mather AFB tomorrow at 2 p.m. at Fort Scott Field.



Strike one

A member of last year's Presidio women's baseball team takes a swing at a pitch during action last season. Both Presidio teams are

currently 1-1 on the season. They battle Matherson AFB on Saturday. (Photo by Ken Juber)

All-Army team shines in SJ

On a warm and breezy day, the All-Army Track and Field Team currently stationed here, came through with some fine performances at the prestigious San Jose Invitational Meet. Standouts for the team were as follows:

1500 meters—Jay Johnson ran a smooth and controlled race as he came in third place with a personal best of 3:49.2.

High Jump—Former U.S. Olympian (1976), James Barrineau soared over seven feet to win the high jump on fewer attempts than two other jumpers who also cleared 7 feet. He is rounding into good shape and should be back up to the higher heights (his best is 7'5").

Triple Jump—William Lloyd popped a good jump of 51 feet 10½ inches and came out in third place. He got edged out of second place on his shorter, next best, jump.

800 meters—Powerful Phil Rolle charged to a solid victory in this lung-burning event in a fine time of 1:50.1. He was 10 meters behind in the gun lap and started inching his way up to the leader. He then launched a picture perfect kick to pull away to victory.

1600 meter relay—The Army team ran a steady pace and finished in second place with a time of 3:16.0. They moved from third to second

place in the last 20 meters when their anchor-man, Phil Rolle powered his way past the Stanislaus State College anchorman.

Softball season openers set

The 1980 Intramural Softball League play will get underway on May 5. Twenty-one teams from units and activities throughout the Presidio will be competing in a single round robin for the league championship. All games will be played at Fort Scott. Game schedule for the first week is as follows:

Date	Home Team	Visitors	Field Time
May			
5	163rd MP. Co.	vs USAG	1 5:45
	SJA	vs 51st Engrs.	2 5:45
	Coast Guard	vs Attorneys	1 7:00
	666 Radar	vs Four Seasons	2 7:00
	Public Health	vs FBI	1 8:15
	Service Station	vs 170th MP. Co.	2 8:15
May			
7	864th Engrs.	vs USACC	1 5:45
	SJA	vs 170th MP Co.	2 5:45
	666 Radar	vs FBI	1 7:00
	Service Station	vs Attorneys	2 7:00
	163rd MP Co.	vs Four Seasons	1 8:15
May			
9	USACC	vs 51st Engrs	2 5:45
	864th Engrs.	vs USAG	2 7:00

Tennis action underway

The 1980 post tennis tournament is underway, and although there are many talented new faces, last year's leaders are favored to repeat.

In the open division, last year's junior vets runner-up, **Nick Lapins**, from LAMC, who has changed divisions, should become former champion, **Gary Jones**, a run for the money. Other players expected to exhibit a fine showing will come from USAG's **James Stearns**, LAMC's **Lynn Rassmussen** and **Richard Karsh**.

In the junior vets division, last year's open division champion, **Bentley Hill**, from Sixth Army, should capture this division title by beating off strong challenges from LAMC's **Gene Galvin** and last year's open division runner-up, **Thomas Egan**.

In the senior division, last year's champion and co-champion **Boris Stojic** and **Rudi Ansbacher**, should repeat their performances, barring no major upsets.

In the women's division, the favorite to win will be last year's runner-up, **Barbara Zimov** from LAMC. Although in order to reach the top, she must dispose of USAG's **Laurianne Dubia** and LAIR's **Jan Thompson**.

The top four players in the open division, the top two in the junior vets division, senior division and women's division will comprise the 1980 Presidio FORSCOM Team. The FORSCOM Tournament is scheduled for June 9-13 at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Presidio News Notes

Bond drive on

The 1980 U. S. Savings Bond Campaign will be held during the month of May. The National theme is "Take Stock in America, Buy U. S. Savings Bonds." Over 9 million Americans buy United States Savings Bonds through their payroll savings plan. Join yours this week and donate part of your paycheck to the most deserving cause in the world—your future.

Sell your crafts here

Craftsmen can turn their hobbies into dollars and cents through Creations Unlimited.

If you are in the military, a military dependent or a civilian employed at the Presidio and you would like to pick up some extra money, this is for you. Creations Unlimited is always on the look-out for new handmade items. Especially welcome right now would be items for the season,

including Mother's Day as well as graduation day gifts.

Located across from Letterman Army Medical Center in Building 558, the people at Creations Unlimited would be more than happy to talk to you about what they are looking for or what they already have for sale.

For more information, contact Susan Salter at 561-4334 or Vera Ann Humphreys at 561-4116.

For those who are interested in dropping in to the shop, parking is available right in front of building 558. The shop is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and the first Saturday of each month.

Women to meet

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club will hold their monthly meeting, May 5 at 7 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

New Members are invited to attend.

New phone number

The LAMC Emergency Room has a new telephone number, 561-5771. All calls to the emergency room should be made on this number, including requests for emergency ambulance service.

Course available

The University of Southern California offers an outstanding opportunity for graduate study leading to a Master of Science in Systems Management. This degree can be completed in 24 months by taking one course per eight-week term.

The program is also offered in 50 other centers world-wide if you should be transferred.

The courses are non-sequential and the program may be entered at the start of any term. Classes are taught in the evenings at Moffett Field.

VA funding or tuition assistance are available.

For more information about this program contact Sandy Tumin at 967-3065 from 8:30-2:30 Monday through Friday or write Sandy Tumin, Navy Campus For Achievement, Building 23 Annex, NAS Moffett Field, CA 94035.

PWOC rally set

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will host the **Second Annual Regional Spring Rally**. It will take place on May 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Religious Activity Center. A guest speaker, music from the Mt. Zion Lutheran Kindred, a bible bookstore display and fellowship Luncheon will be featured in the program. Everyone is cordially invited. For further information, please call 561-4159 or 752-1834.

LAMC wives to meet

The Letterman Wives' Club will hold its monthly luncheon at the Golden Gate Yacht Club, May 8 at 11:30 a.m. Mister Lee of one of San Francisco's elite hair and skin salons will demonstrate hair styles, cuts, the new make-ups and skin care. He will use our own live models to demonstrate all these new ideas. As a special treat there will be a fashion show in tune with our inflationary times.

The Golden Gate is located just past the St. Francis Yacht Club. Park in the St. Francis parking lot and walk down the jetty to the white building that is directly across from the harbor master's building.

Luncheon will consist of a shrimp salad, beverage and dessert. Luncheon cost is \$8.25. Reservations must be made by May 5 by calling Yvette Martinka at 561-7246 or Caroline Robbins at 472-2049.

Meeting planned

"What You See is What You Get!" will be the topic of discussion by Mr. Ken Braly, founder of Polaris Associates, at the Federally Employed Women's May 20 dinner meeting at the Presidio Officers' Club.

Braly will explore the power of visualization, desire-building, and effective goal setting in reaching personal goals. These practical ideas will help anyone interested in achieving greater and more satisfying results in life.

Braly is a successful business executive and founder of Polaris Associates, an organization formed to help people use more of their management and leadership skills, and thereby reach more of their career and life goals. He is also International Toastmaster Speech Contest Winner of 1978 and 1979. He has spoken to many organizations throughout the country on personal development and achievement.

All interested parties invited to attend at a cost of \$8 per person.

For more information, contact Mary Stanton at 561-3498.



Old Glory in the wind

Sgt. Michael Merlette grabs 'Old Glory' before the flag blows into the ocean after a recent reenlistment ceremony conducted at Fort Cronkite. The photographer, Sp5 Steve

Spigelman of the 864th Engineers is the winner of the Photo of the Week contest.

Your photo could be here next week.

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Guthrie doubts wartime support

by Tom Tiernan

The Army's top officer in charge of research and development issued an appeal for the nation to refocus its attention on the needs of national defense "before it's too late."

General John R. Guthrie, commander of DARCOM the Army's research and development command, told a luncheon meeting of the Association of the U. S. Army on Monday, **"I have been concerned since leaving Japan (he departed in 1977) about the ability of our industrial base to supply the needed materials in the event of mobilization."**

Guthrie made the comment when asked if he thought that civilian industry could support full mobilization in the face of today's economic situation.

The general suggested that it was time for industry to revitalize production and to put new capital into its machines and tools. "We need to get on with this before it is too late."

Issuing another warning, Guthrie commented,

"Those who seek to destroy our way of life and freedom have become more adventuresome."

To be prepared to meet moves by the Soviet Union, Guthrie suggested that the country invest in material and personnel to man the Army.

Guthrie reassured the audience of the quality of the Army's latest weapons and aircraft. Using a color film, the DARCOM commander gave the audience a glimpse of six of the items recently added to the Army's stockpile.

One of the new items Guthrie discussed was the new XM-1 "Abrams" tank, which was the subject of a recent "Sixty Minutes" investigation.

"The information contained in that report was more than 18 months out of date," Guthrie pointed out. "We had a blue ribbon panel investigate the turbine engine when the problems arose and make recommendations on ways to improve it."

According to Guthrie the problems with dust

being ingested into the turbine engines have been resolved and the blue ribbon panel then recommended it beyond its current capabilities.

"Congress, however, has directed the Army to develop a back up diesel engine," Guthrie added.

In addition to talking about the new weapons and equipment in the Army's future, Guthrie also reminded the audience of the importance of people.

"People are the life blood of the Army... Recruiting, training, and reenlisting mid-level NCOs is important to the future of our Army. Civilian employees are also important keys to the future," Guthrie commented.

"Nothing disturbs the dedication of those serving than the question of domestic support. We must have the will to win and that comes from every American citizen," Guthrie reminded the audience.

Guthrie's brief visit to the Presidio included a tour of the Logistics Control Activity and a meeting with the Sixth Army commander.

Old Guard arrives here this week

Eighty-one members of the Old Guard, stationed in the nation's capital, will arrive here on Thursday to begin a three-day stay in the Bay area.

Included in the group will be the Fife and Drum Corps, the U. S. Army Drill Team, the Continental Color Guard, and members of the "I am the Infantry" pageant.

During their visit, the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps will participate in the Armed Forces Day parade in downtown San Francisco on May 16 at 11:30 a.m.

The Fife and Drum Corps and the drill team will participate in the Presidio's Armed Forces Day pageants scheduled for May 17 at 1 and 4 p.m.

According to Maj. Wayne Allton, project officer, the pageant, entitled, "A Salute to the American Soldier," will trace the history of the Army from its beginnings in 1775 through today.

"The pageant," states Allton, "will feature several other groups representing different eras in the Army's history. We will have reenactment units for the civil war and World Wars I and II, as well as a color guard comprised of black soldiers representing the contributions of Black Americans to the Army."

"This pageant promises to be very colorful as well as informative," Allton promised. "I don't believe there's been anything like this on the post in recent years."

A wide variety of antique and modern equipment on display beginning at noon in the area surrounding the parade field where the pageants will be held.

Seating will be available on the parade field for those interested in attending the ceremony.



Marching in the past

The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps leads the 1975 parade Concord, Mass., to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Revolutionary War. Dressed in colorful uniforms of the Revolutionary period, the group will participate in the Presidio's Armed Forces Day pageants on May 17.

The performances scheduled for 1 and 4 p.m. will offer the drama of reenactment groups in authentic uniforms of the Civil War, World Wars I and II. Also on hand will be modern and antique military equipment. The displays will be available from noon to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

Parking lots will be closed all day Friday

Presidians may find it difficult to locate a parking space next Friday, due to the closing of several lots.

According to 2nd Lt. Kevin Burr of the Provost Marshal's office, the USAG and Officer's Club parking lots will be closed beginning at Thursday through the end of the Armed Forces Day events on May 17.

The eastern half of the gym number one lot as well as the LAMC annex lot, and the

parking area for building 220 will be closed beginning at 6 p.m. on May 16. The theater and Presidio Playhouse lots will be closed from 6 a.m. on May 17.

Saturday patrons of the Officer's Club should park in either the theater or Playhouse lots.

Handicapped persons attending the Armed Forces Day events should park in the Southeast corner of the USAG lot. This is

the area closest to the flag pole.

Burr warns residents of the BOQ not to park in the O'Club lot or face having their cars towed away.

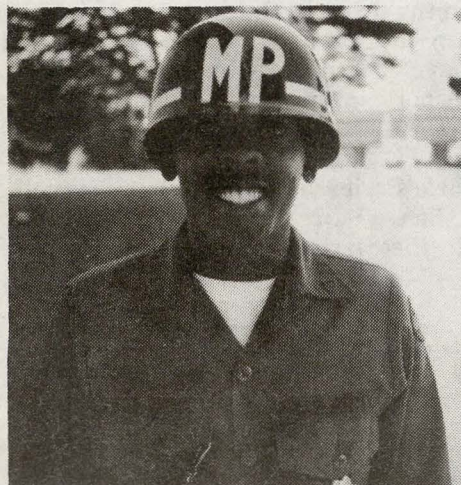
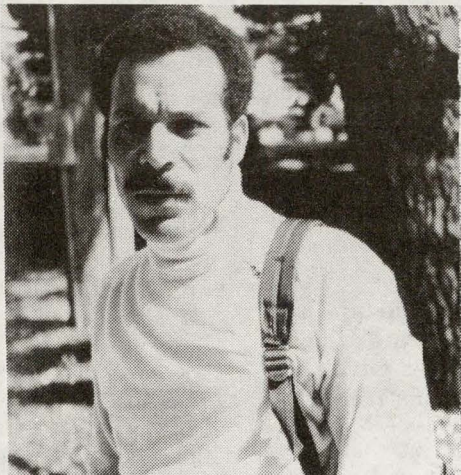
Those who work or live in the 100 series building should park behind them on Friday and Saturday.

Several thousand persons are expected to attend the Armed Forces Day pageants and vehicle displays and Burr cautions drivers to drive carefully and to be alert.

Ramblin' Sam

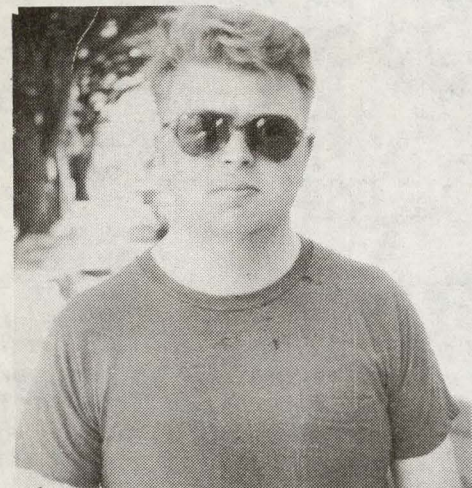
Is the Army combat ready?

SSgt. Carlos Regis, LAMC—"No, I don't. I've been in the Army for 15 years and I have seen the quality of the soldier physically undergo a steady decline."



Pfc. Melvin Graves, 170th MP Company—"In a sense, I think we're not ready for war because we're not motivated to the point that we should be at the time of war."

Rocina Henry, dependent—"In my mind, I don't feel that they are, but I can't explain it."



Spec. 5 David Burrows, LAMC—"No, I don't think the Army is combat ready. I feel that it's going to take a lot more of these field exercises and a lot more work to get them ready."

Mac Roberts, CPO—"I really don't think so. I don't think any of the Armed Forces are totally combat ready because of budget restrictions and the 'anti' feeling of the need until this Iran situation came up."



Welcome to new staffer

This week the Star Presidian welcomes a new staff member, Sp5 Jon Chelgren.

After more than 9 months our staff is finally complete with two full-time experienced writers.

Jon comes to the Star Presidian after attending the Intermediate Photojournalism Course at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Prior to attending the course, Jon was assigned as the co-editor of the Transcommunicator at Kaiserslautern, West Germany. His other Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Va.

We look forward to the many contributions which Jon is going to

make to the paper.

I'd like to thank a number of persons who have helped us to continue producing the Star Presidian during our personnel shortage.

Among the many who lent assistance were, **Capt. Robert Arosteguy** and **SSgt. Claud Kelly** of USAG, **Karl Gaffney** and **Bob Darling** of the post gym, the staff of the **LAMC PAO**, **Max Woerner** of Sixth Army, the staff of the **post photo lab**, **Sp4 Debbie Schoettlin** and **1st Lt. Eric Snyder** of the Public Affairs Office and **Kay Lowenstein**. Thanks to each of you.

The Editor

Reader Opinion

Do away with restrooms

Dear Editor,

The elimination of hot water in the office buildings is a great step in the right direction towards saving energy. I'm in favor of it. We need to sacrifice to discipline our souls.

The only disadvantage are minor and few; for example,

We can't get our hands clean. Some of us lowly servants (civil servants, that is) handle carbon paper, which is difficult—nay, impossible—to get off with cold water. Ah, well, sacrifice.

A person likes to wash hiser (his plus her—get it?) hands after toilet. Cold water is not adequate. Sacrifice!

Cold water will not get dishes clean. Of course, only a small amount of salmonella can be expected, and it may not cause any more than diarrhea, we hope. The loss of life of one or two persons is a small sacrifice to pay for the good of the country as a whole.

The civil servants become second-class citizens, for the good of the larger goal of saving energy. No quarters—barracks or homes—will be penalized by only cold water, I presume; nor, I may surmise, will all the offices. So we who come to work to cold taps will become lesser-important citizens. We feed, clothe, work for the welfare of, furnish services to, the first-class lucky ones. But we love it! Sacrifice to keep the

U.S. the richest nation in the world! We delight in it!

I have a few suggestions to improve the energy situation all the more. No half-way measures for us! Let's go all the way!

Eliminate urinals in the men's room. They are superfluous. And cut down on the number of toilets to one, why not?

But on the other hand, why have a men's room at all? Men could use the ladies' room, hereafter known as the integrated rest room. The chief of the office could put his desk at the door of the integrated rest room to direct traffic. That job calls for making decisions, and no one is better in an office than the chief at making decisions. Hiser deputy is to be appointed in his absence, the deputy being the **second** most capable of making decisions.

If even more sacrifice were needed, the next logical step is to cut off all water except to one toilet in the ladies' room. Not even a lavatory to wash hands. That'll show the Russians we can live spartan lives, and be an outstanding example to the three worlds of what we can accomplish through sacrifice.

So come on, persons. Let's save energy! Not only cold water in the hot water tap, but all the way! Way to go!

Walter R. Floyd

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Step increases out for some

The Army is changing the way step increases and annual pay raises are given to high grade Department of the Army civilian employees, according to Alex Reyes, Presidio civilian personnel officer.

This change, called the merit pay system, is part of the 1978 Civil Service Reform Act. Under this program, the pay of supervisors and management officials in the grades GS-13 through GS-15 will be related to actual job performance.

"We have fewer than 30 people at the Presidio who are affected by this aspect of the act," continued Reyes. "There are some people in these grades who are not affected, such as doctors, but for the most part, people in these grades already know what effect this action will have on them and their positions."

Under normal circumstances, the money previously used for step increases and half of the employee's annual pay raise will go into a merit pay fund. This fund will then be divided among

major commands based on the number and salaries of the high grade civilians employed at each command.

Previously, step increases were given to all employees for acceptable job performance. Now, Department of the Army has set five performance levels and senior employees will be rated at one of these levels. These include exceptional, highly successful, fully successful, minimally satisfactory and unsatisfactory. The assigned rating will determine what share of the fund or pool that each employee will receive.

Employees receiving minimally satisfactory or unsatisfactory ratings will receive no merit pay. Those receiving ratings in the top three categories will receive increases, continued Reyes.

Merit pay employees may receive performance related cash awards but funding for this program will be budgeted separately.

Types of awards employees may receive

include "on-the-spot" and "significant achievement performance awards" which may be given at any time. Another award, the "merit pay supplement cash award," can be given annually following a performance appraisal. Authority to pay these awards will be delegated to major commanders with authority to redelegate as they deem appropriate.

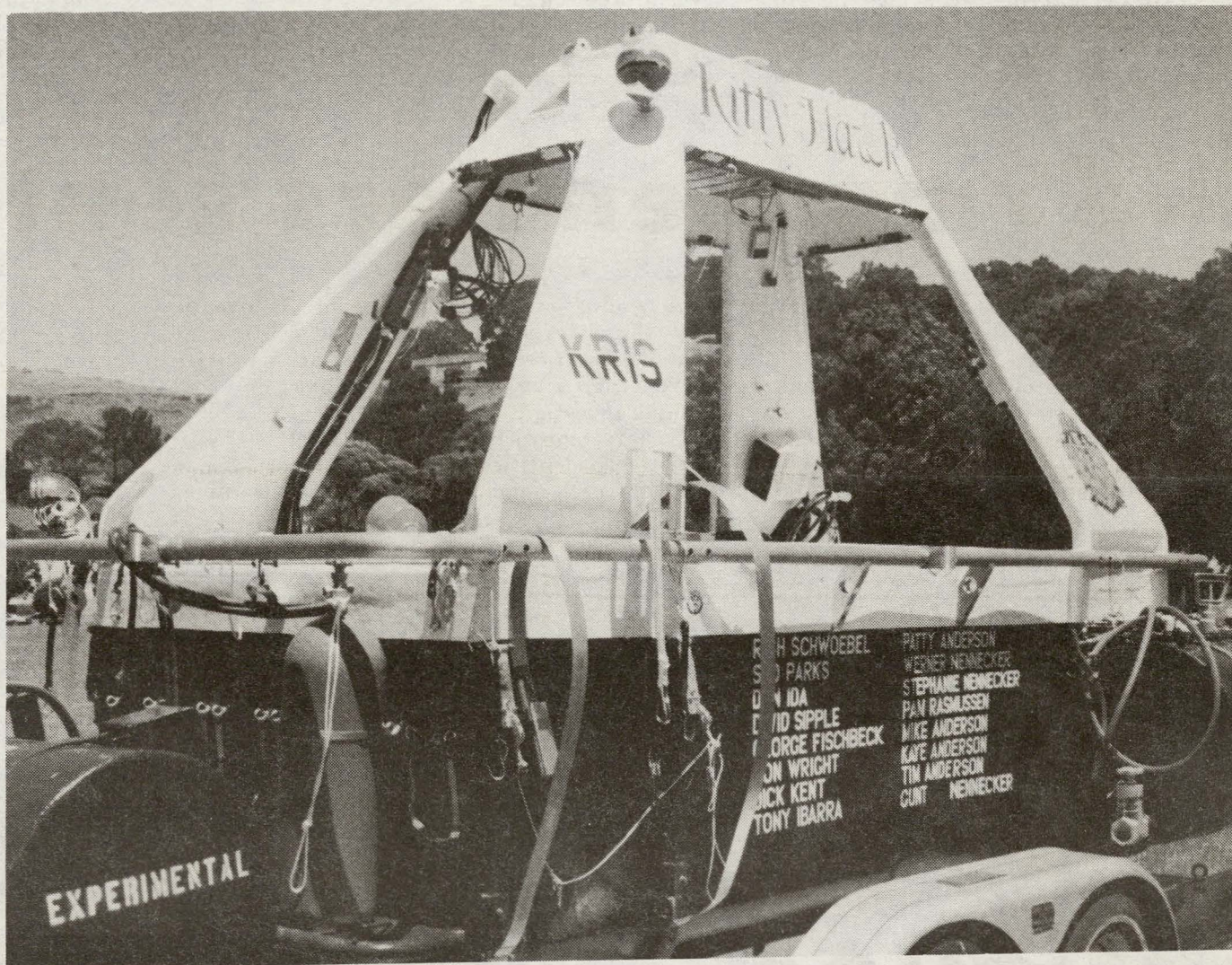
Affected employees will be briefed on the merit pay system before it goes into effect. Also, supervisors and managers will be trained on how the system itself operates, according to Reyes.

Actual conversion to the merit pay system will begin no later than October 1981. The appraisal period from which pay will be based is set to begin July 1, 1980 and end June 30, 1981.

This system is now in the planning stages and is pending approval by the Secretary of Defense and the Office of Personnel Management, concluded Reyes.

'Kitty Hawk' is airborne following delay

At 12:32 a.m. Thursday, the gondola carrying Maxie and Kris Anderson lifted off from Fort Baker in an attempt at the first transcontinental balloon crossing. The flight had been delayed for weeks waiting for the proper weather patterns to develop. The Andersons hope to land near Kitty Hawk, N.C., the site of the Wright brothers first flight, after four days of flying. (Photo by John Green)



Free hearing tests announced

May is National Better Hearing and Speech month. To help draw attention to the need for frequent hearing tests, the Speech Pathology and Auditory Evaluation and Treatment Clinic—at Letterman Army Medical Center will hold hearing and speech screening tests on May 31 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The clinic, located in building 1012 in room 252, will be open to all military personnel and their dependents and DA civilians.

According to Ms. Joan Toma, a therapist with the clinic, communicative disorders are the most prevalent handicap in our country today. "We use language to express our thought, our emotion and our needs. The person who is unable to communicate efficiently is handicapped in deed," she commented.

"The problems faced by the hearing handicapped are obvious. They miss important parts of conversations or misinterpret what they hear. Common activities such as driving a car, watching TV, or dining in a restaurant are very difficult when hearing loss is present," Toma commented.

Some types of hearing losses are reversible, states Toma. Early diagnosis and treatment may well prevent permanent and irreparable damage. But losses can often be improved through the use of hearing aids and speech reading.

Hearing loss is most common among the elderly. More than one out of every four persons 65 or older has a hearing disorder. People who work in noisy environments, who listen to very loud music, ride motorcycles, or fire weapons are likely to have some hearing impairment.

The incidences of hearing problems in the military is significant according to Toma. "Studies conducted on personnel with 12½ years of service in artillery or infantry division have shown that over 50 percent have experienced some degree of hearing loss."

Comprehensive hearing testing by an audiologist and an examination by a physician are essential in diagnosing and treating hearing problems, Toma said.

Early identification of speech, language, and

hearing disorders in young children is especially critical. The basic elements of communication are established in the first three years of life. The child who fails to utilize speech by the time he is 2½ to 3 years old, is in need of professional help," Toma stressed.

"Often the lack of intelligible speech or the failure to put words together is the first clue a parent has that the child is not developing normally. The time lost in the child's learning process because of communication disorders not being diagnosed and treated, is not retrievable," Toma continued.

Other types of speech and language problems prevalent in American society include stuttering, voice disorders, learning disabilities, and the disruption in speech, reading and writing as the result of a stroke or other brain trauma.

"It is important to remember that early diagnosis and treatment of speech, language and hearing disorders is essential to a good prognosis," Toma concluded.

Energy use down, costs up

by Tom Tiernan

Energy use on the Presidio has been dropping, but the post has a long way to go, to meet the Department of the Army set goal of a 20 percent reduction by fiscal year 85 of the energy used during FY 75.

According to Mr. Edward Crane, chief of the utilities branch at the Directorate of Facilities Engineering, "The period of growth has been arrested and a downward curve is beginning, however, we still have a long way to go.

"We are working on a number of projects which, if, approved and funded, will help continue that downward curve," Crane points out.

One project currently in the planning stages is the insulation of most of the administrative buildings on post and some of the barracks.

Crane is also trying to convince Pacific Gas and Electric to give the post the lowest possible price for the natural gas used to heat the buildings.

"Currently the rate for the quarters on post is the same as those applied to homes in the area serviced by PG&E. I'm trying to convince them to give us a flat rate such as those charged for non-residential use. So far I haven't had much luck," Crane stated.

By getting the flat rate the post would pay 38 cents per therm.

"I can't say whether this usage is due to waste, or to other factors. But you can be sure there is some waste involved," Crane continued.

Crane seeks the new rate not to encourage waste, but to attempt to save some money.

"Our current rates run 27 cents for the first 106 therms used a month. It cost 43 cents for the next 106 and 53 for therms over 212. These rates apply to single homes on post.

"Our multi-dwelling quarters run 69 therms for 27 cents, 43 cents for the next 69 and 53 cents for those over 138 therms.

"Every quarters area on post is over the 212 or 138 therm limit each month." Crane explains.

One factor which could affect our energy use in the quarters areas is the fog. Crane realizes that the Pershing and Fort Scott area housing are subjected quite frequently to heavy fog.

"PG&E has the Bay area divided up into climate areas. The division we are in includes areas which are not subjected to the fog as much as we are," Crane commented.

The utilities chief is trying to get a computer on which he could keep track of all types of information concerning the heating costs for the post.

With this information at his fingertips, Crane feels that he could possibly identify problems which are affecting these costs.

During a recent energy conservation council meeting the results of a one month study into the cost of heating the different buildings on post was released.

The cost of heating housing ranged from a low of \$26.32 for those living in the 1400 area to \$153.73 for those occupying quarters in the 1300 area. The average cost comes to \$77.26 per unit, well above the \$18.68 to \$28.62 it would cost at the lowest "life-line" rate offered by PG&E.

The cost of heating barracks areas ranged from \$487.03 for building 1204 to \$1,454.80 to heat building 101.

Costs of heating the admin. offices range from \$336.63 for building 1216 to \$2,524.75 for building 35.

One interesting note was that the cost to heat building 35 is over three times more than the cost to heat building 38, which is almost the same size but has a new heating system.

"The cost of heating our offices and homes is going to continue to cost more," Crane stated, "so we all need to be more aware of your usage of natural gas, electricity, and gasoline in order to insure we have enough for the future."

Bike ring members sentenced

Two San Francisco youths have found that crime does not pay.

The pair were sentenced May 1 to one year's probation and 200 hours of work at the Presidio for their part in a recent on-post bicycle theft.

U.S. Magistrate Richard Goldsmith, who handed down the sentences, ordered the youths to do the on-post work on weekends in lieu of \$100 fines.

According to Erle Jones, head of juvenile investigations for the Presidio Provost Marshall's office, the two youths are part of a bicycle theft ring which is the subject of a continuing investigation.

So far, Jones says a third suspect has been "positively identified" and will be arrested soon while a fourth name has surfaced as a "possible" suspect.

Jones says investigators are still looking for five other youths to "talk to" about the theft ring.

The ring is believed to rely on a manufacturers code book which lists combinations by lock serial numbers. That book hasn't been located by investigators, according to Jones, and is "still floating around somewhere."

It's okay to alter fatigues

Department of the Army officials have lifted the ban on altering men's fatigues for female wear.

The ban was lifted after women were authorized to wear the male utility uniform recently.

Clarence Bell, manager of the Presidio Clothing Sales Store, confirms that females may now have their fatigues tailored to meet their size. He stresses, however, **that the uniforms cannot be "form fitted"** and must maintain their loose-fitting design after alterations.

Uniform regulations limit fatigue alterations to the crotch, seat and waist of the trousers and the sleeves, collar, side seams and back waist length of the shirts.

Bell notes that Chapter 15 and Table 15-2 in Army Regulation 700-84, "Issue and Sale of Personal Clothing," clearly spell out the amount and type of alterations allowed.

Smaller size fatigues designed for women are on order for the Presidio, according to Bell, but the first shipment is not expected to arrive for three to five weeks.

Bell explains that Army supply priorities are slating the bulk of the new smaller uniforms for shipment to the larger training bases for initial issue to female soldiers there.



Stocking up

Geraldine Wright, an employee of the Clothing Sales store, inventories the store's stock of male fatigues. Female

soldiers who purchase male fatigues may have them altered but not to form fit. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio youth soars to new highs as member of Galileo track team

by Jon Chelgren

James McClanahan leads his school in "getting high."

The son of Sgt. 1st Class James McClanahan of Letterman Army Medical Center recently shattered the pole vault record at Galileo High School with a 14-6 foot vault.

A 16-year-old sophomore at Galileo, McClanahan set the mark to place second at the prestigious Hale Roche Relays. His showing led his team to victory in the meet, marking the first time in 22 years that a San Francisco school had taken the competition.

McClanahan's success, termed "amazing" by one of his coaches, is even more surprising when one considers that the 5-2 youth has only been vaulting for three months.

"I was interested in the high jump at first," McClanahan says, "but Coach White and Coach Longacre asked me to come out for the pole vault. I told them I would just try it. I began to like it and I started working at it more and more."

David Longacre, a former pole vaulter and now a coach at Galileo, says he has never seen anyone like McClanahan.

"His ability to grasp so complex a sport in such a short amount of time is simply amazing," says Longacre.

McClanahan credits his father for his pole vaulting success.

"When I was little," explains McClanahan, "my father would get me to do some 'daring' things like back flips, so I didn't have that fear of the pole like everybody else did."

Citing that fear as the biggest single obstacle to any pole vaulter, he continues, "everybody else was afraid to go up... Me, I just do it. I feel enough confidence to do it."

McClanahan is now preparing for the All-City Track and Field Meet. The trials are slated for May 20 and 21 with the finals set for May 24.

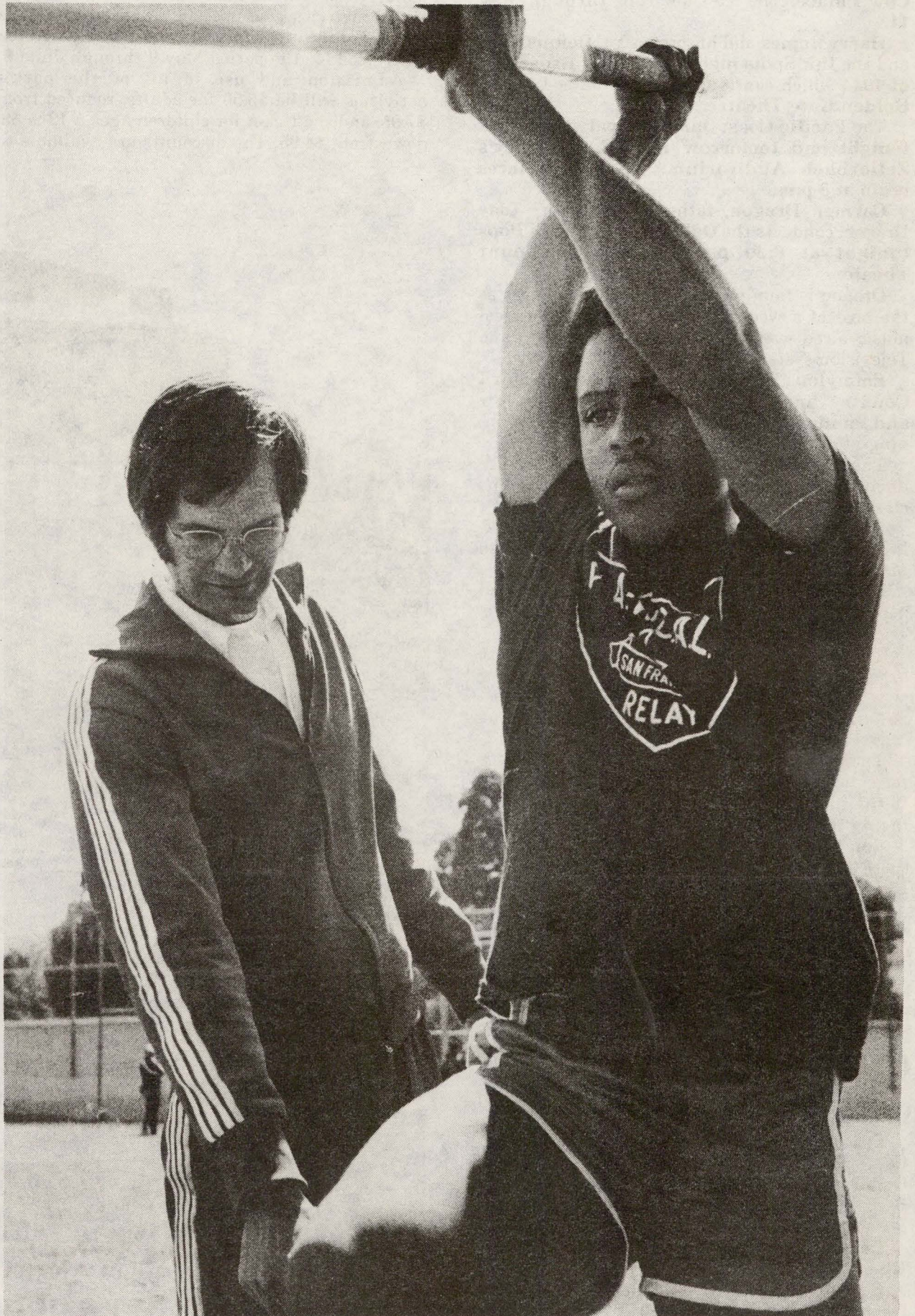
"I'm looking forward to doing 15 or 15-6 feet in the All City," says McClanahan.

After that, McClanahan looks forward to the Oakland Regional meet and then the State competition. Both he and Longacre claim that chances are good that McClanahan will place in both meets.

Looking behind high school competition, McClanahan dreams of a day in the future when he can compete as a world class vaulter.

"I was thinking," he says, "that if I work at it, I can go higher and higher and maybe go on to the Olympics."

Who knows? Maybe McClanahan will be "getting high" in Los Angeles in 1984.



Future Olympian?

James McClanahan takes some advice from Coach David Longacre during a practice session at Galileo High. McClanahan recently smashed the school's pole vault record with a

14-6 vault. He hopes to go on to place at the upcoming All-City meet May 20, 21 and 24.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Blood drive planned for May 20

Presidio citizens will be given the opportunity to donate blood in the second quarter blood drive conducted by the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of San Francisco on May 20.

Last quarter, there were 92 first time blood donors out of the 434 people who took the time to give, according to Lisa Cater of Irwin.

In the quarterly organizational meeting, Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, said that it is the new blood donor as well as the habitual donor who makes these drives successful. "We need 100 first time donors," added Hall.

The blood drive will be conducted in two on-post locations, the Presidio NCO Club, building 135, from 8 a.m. 4 p.m. and the old

MOS Library, building 1227, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Each unit or activity has an appointment contact person who will make an appointment for your donation. Even if you do not have an appointment you will be able to donate but those donors who have appointments will be given priorities.

Arrangements have been made for the soldiers of D Company of the 864th Engineers who will be in a field training exercise at the time of the drive. A separate date is being set aside for those soldiers to give when they return from the field.

For more information concerning this blood drive, contact the key person in your unit or activity.

Time to spare

The Ice Follies continue this weekend at the Cow Palace. The ice show runs through May 11.

Harry James and his orchestra, Dennis Day, and the Ink Spots highlight the Big Broadcast of 1944 which continues through June 1 at the Golden Gate Theatre.

The Pacific Coast Jazz Festival will be held tonight and tomorrow at U.C. Berkeley's Zellerbach Auditorium. All performances begin at 8 p.m.

Carmen Dragon, father of "Captain" Tony Dragon, conducts the Oakland Symphony Pops tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Paramount Theater.

Dragon is familiar to thousands of soldiers as the host of a weekly radio program of classical music aired over the Armed Forces Radio and Television system overseas.

Emmylou Harris headlines the Stanford Country and Bluegrass Festival tomorrow and Sunday at the Frost Amphitheater beginning at noon each day.

The Presidio Recreation Center's cake decorating class starts Monday at 7:30 p.m. The class cost \$15 for four weeks of instruction.

The Ice Follies begin Tuesday at the Oakland Coliseum. The show continues through May 18.

Robert Goulet opens May 18 in the musical "On a Clear Day" at the Orpheum Theatre. The production runs through June 21.

The advance acting workshop, of the theatre arts department at San Francisco State University, will present one of Anton Chekhov's most powerful drama, "The Three Sisters," beginning May 14.

The play will run through May 17 with all performances scheduled for 8 p.m. Admission is free to the Little Theatre in the Creative Arts building on the campus.

Lou Rawls opens his four day concert series at the Circle Star Theater in San Carlos on May 15.

"Tower of Power" opens their two night stand at the Old Waldorf May 16, with shows at 8 and 11 p.m.

An all-Stravinsky concert will be presented by the Concert Wind Players of San Francisco State University May 16 at 8 p.m. in Knuth Hall.

As a special highlight of the evening's program, the S.F.S.U. Concert Choir will join the Wind Players to perform Stravinsky's "Mass."

Tickets for the concert are \$3 for general admission. For more information call 469-2467.

Space is still available for the Recreation Center's "Three in One" tour to the Acres of Orchids, Winchester Mystery House and the San Jose Flea Market, on May 17. The bus leaves at 7:45 a.m.

Leontyne Price performs at the Opera House May 18 at 8 p.m.

Eugene Ormandy and the Philadelphia Orchestra come to the Opera House May 22 at 8:30 p.m.

Ted Nugent visits the Cow Palace May 23 at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at the Cow Palace and BASS outlets.

The Presidio Recreation Center's Informa-

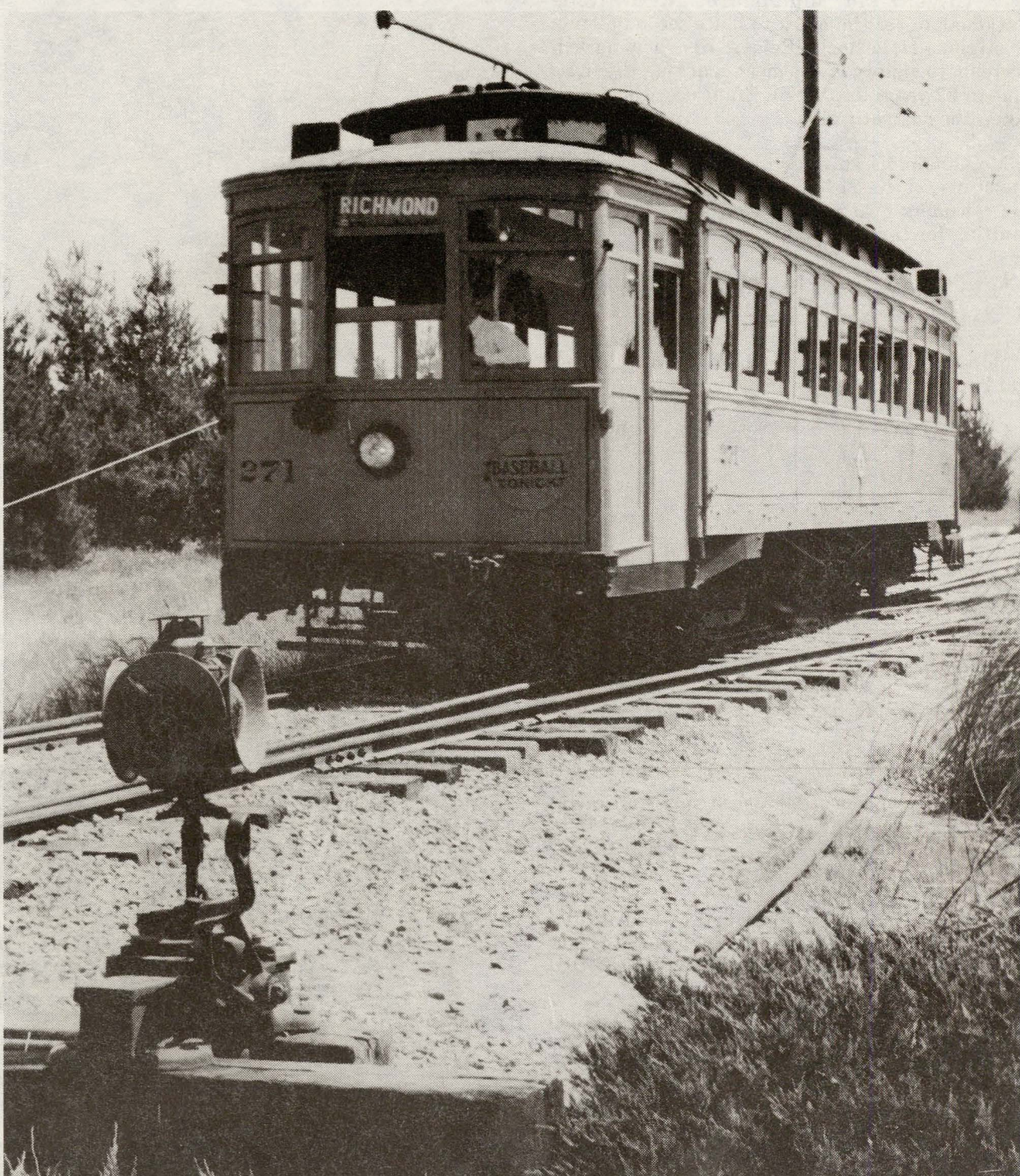
tion, Travel and Tour office, in keeping with its policy to obtain as many discounts for recreational activities as possible, has obtained a special discount for Marine World/Africa USA good for the period May 9 through June 8.

Admission and use of all of the park's activities will be \$5.50 for adults, reduced from \$7.95, and the ticket for children ages 5-12 is \$3, down from \$4.95. The discounts are available to

all military, dependents, DA civilians, retirees and reservists by stopping by the Rec. Center.

The center also has a number of other reduced or discount tickets available for activities from the Giants to Disneyland and the San Diego Harbor Exposition.

For additional information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m. Tickets may be purchased after 4 p.m.



A friend from days gone by

This old trolley is one of many antique railroad pieces on display at the California Railroad Museum located near Calistoga, California. In addition to old trains, trolleys,

and cable cars, the museum also has picnic grounds. This could be just the place you've been looking for to take the family. (Photo by Ken Juber)

White Paper '80

Forces must be sustained

(This is the last in a series of eight articles).

Being prepared in peacetime to mobilize forces in wartime is of primary concern to the Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E. C. Meyer in his plan for the Army of the 80's.

The Nation's ability to mobilize quickly and support Army Forces in combat for as long as necessary is critical to overall deterrence, Meyer explains.

Several problem areas and needs exist which will require increased resources during the 1980's.

Although the Army Chief sees prospects for strength increases in the total force during the 1980's, he sees the lack of adequate pre-trained manpower as a continuing problem. "This issue is directly related to the president's decision to register people with the selective service

as a step toward improving our mobilization capability."

Army training centers must be ready to train enough personnel to meet the needs of forces committed to wartime missions, commented the general. Plans are being developed to increase early trainee capacity at training centers during mobilization and make the training period shorter.

Not only must military forces and government-owned industries be able to mobilize quickly, Meyer explains, but so must the privately-owned industrial base. Planning and other agreements are needed to make sure wartime items can be produced as quickly as possible.

"Once mobilized, forces in combat must be sustained." The Army Chief of Staff stresses

that the Army must continue to evaluate stocks of equipment, ammunition and supplies to ensure there is enough to sustain forces until industry can reach full production.

The ability to mobilize and provide forces with staying power are "critical elements of strategic deterrence," Meyer says. "Shortcomings in either act to undermine the credibility" of forward-based forces and endanger the use of CONUS-based reinforcements, adds Meyer.

"The decade of the eighties... looks to be a time of challenge, a time of continuing potential crisis," summarizes Gen. Meyer. "Such situations pose great dangers. The U. S. Army—by its preparations toward a real and visible military capability—seeks to see the nation and its values sustained through the critical decade of the 80's."

Sports

Favorites advance as tennis tourney continues

After two weeks of action, the 1980 Post Tennis Tournament is moving along as anticipated.

In the open division, **Nick Lapins**, LAMC, defeated **Richard Karsh**, 6-0, 6-4, to advance into the quarter finals against last year's champion **Greg Jones**, LAMC, who defeated **Lib Columbo**, LAMC, 6-2, 6-2.

In the junior vets division, last year's open champion, **Bentley Hill**, Sixth Army, stroked his way into the quarter finals by defeating a hustling **Thomas Egan**, LAMC, 6-2, 6-2. The remaining quarter final position has yet to be determined with **Blake Wade** awaiting the deci-

sion between **Gene Galvin**, LAMC, and **Robert Ketchum**, LAMC.

In the senior division, **Boris Stojic**, LAMC, defeated **John Keely**, Sixth Army, in a tough match, 6-4, 6-3, to advance against **Rudi Ansbacher**, LAMC, who earlier defeated **Charles Hansen**, Sixth Army, 6-2, 6-3. Both winners are anticipated to duplicate last year's first and second place positions.

In the women's division, **Barbara Jimor**, LAMC, easily disposed of newcomer **Jan Thompson**, 6-0, 6-0, and now awaits the winner from the losers bracket.

The top four players in the open division, the top two in the junior vets division, senior division and women's division will comprise the 1980 Presidio FORSCOM team. The tournament is scheduled for June 9-13 at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The semi-finals and finals will be held May 17 and 18, respectively, with the Divisions playing in the following manner:

Women's	10 a.m.
Senior	11:30 a.m.
Jr. Vets	1 p.m.
Open	2:30 p.m.

Women split a pair with Mather ; head for Travis

The Presidio women's softball team settled for another split last weekend by beating Mather AFB 10 to 5 in the opener and then going down in defeat 8 to 5 in the second game.

The Presidio women now stand at 2 wins and 2 losses in the Northern California Women's Military Softball League.

Sparked by the outstanding pitching performance of **Kathy Gallagher**, 170th MP Co., and hitting of **Wanda Wood**, **Marie Pollard** of

LAMC, and **Patti Tackett** of Sixth Army, the women of Presidio erupted for seven runs in the first two innings and then scored single runs in the fourth through sixth innings. Mather fought gamely in the sixth inning, scoring four runs to cut the Presidio lead to 10 to 5.

In the top half of the seventh inning, Mather failed to score as the Presidio outfielders comprised of **Mary Dailey** Sixth Army, **Bess Watts** 163rd MP Co., **Pollard** and **Wood**, LAMC, grab-

bed everything that was batted to them.

In the second game, Presidio, trailing 8 to 5, had the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh inning but failed to score as Mather's infielders came up with a few fielder's gems to snuff out the rally.

The Presidio distaff team travels to Travis Air Force Base on May 31 for their next league games.

Men drop two

Errors and injuries continue to plague the Presidio Men's team as they went down in defeat 16 to 8 and 13 to 5 at the hands of Mather AFB.

The Presidio Men's record slipped to one win and three losses.

Highlights of the men's game was a three-run homer by **Burt Faberitti**, 864th Engineers, and a solo shot by USAG's **Frank Woodard**.

The Men's team will travel to McClellan AFB this weekend to compete in their first tournament of the year.

USAG on top

Looming as the powerhouse of the league, USAG blasted the 163rd MP Co. 15 to 1 in the opener of the Presidio Intramural Softball League. Blessed with some outstanding talents, USAG should be the team to watch as the season progresses.

In other action: the 170th MP Co. hung on to defeat the Service Station 8 to 7.

In a slugfest the 51st Engineers needed all the power they could muster to beat SJA 17 to 13.

The 666th Radar blanked Four Seasons 6 to 0 for the first shut out of the young season.

Youth class set

A Dependent Youth Activities gymnastics class will be offered for youngsters ages 4 through 16 beginning May 19 at post gym number 1.

The one hour classes will meet every Monday, Wednesday, Friday afternoon, or Saturday morning.

Registration fees are payable at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, between 8 and 11:30 a.m. For more information, call the DYA Office, 561-5143.

Golf tourney set

Sign-ups are now being accepted by the Presidio Sports Office for the Commander's Spring Golf Tournament to be conducted at the Presidio Golf Course May 21 and 22. Tee off time is 8 a.m.

Call 561-5032/4120 for further information.



Grand slam

Nick Lapins, of LAMC, attempts to return a volley during action in the post tennis tourney. The tourney will select the members

of the Presidio team to the FORCOM tournament scheduled for Fort Lewis. (Photo by **Karl Gaffney**)

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Help needed

Follow spot operators, backstage crew, and quick change dressers are needed for the Presidio Players' forthcoming production of the Broadway musical, "MAME".

Prior experience is not necessary, but there is a demanding time requirement. There are many quick scenery and costume changes and there will be one week of intensive dress rehearsals, followed by fifteen performances June 6 to 29, at the Presidio Playhouse.

If you would like to get involved, call 561-3992 for more information and rehearsal schedules.

Class announced

The Fort Scott Education Center is offering a free course in Business English and Vocabulary Improvement May 12 to June 16, Monday through Thursday 11:30-12:30. The course will cover grammar, punctuation and various types of letter writing. Enrollment is open to military personnel, adult dependents and civilian employees.

For information or enrollment contact the Ed Center at 561-2974 or 561-4445.

Members sought

The award-winning Prince Charles Pipe Band has limited openings for youngsters 11 to 14 years old as beginning bagpipers, side drummers and tenor and bass drummers. No previous experience is necessary.

For further information contact Jack Sutherland, band manager, at 924-0514, after 6 p.m., or write to the Prince Charles Pipe Band, P. O. Box 114, Corte Madera, CA 94925.

CPR class set

The American Red Cross will be conducting its monthly cardio-pulmonary resuscitation course on May 21 and 23, at 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

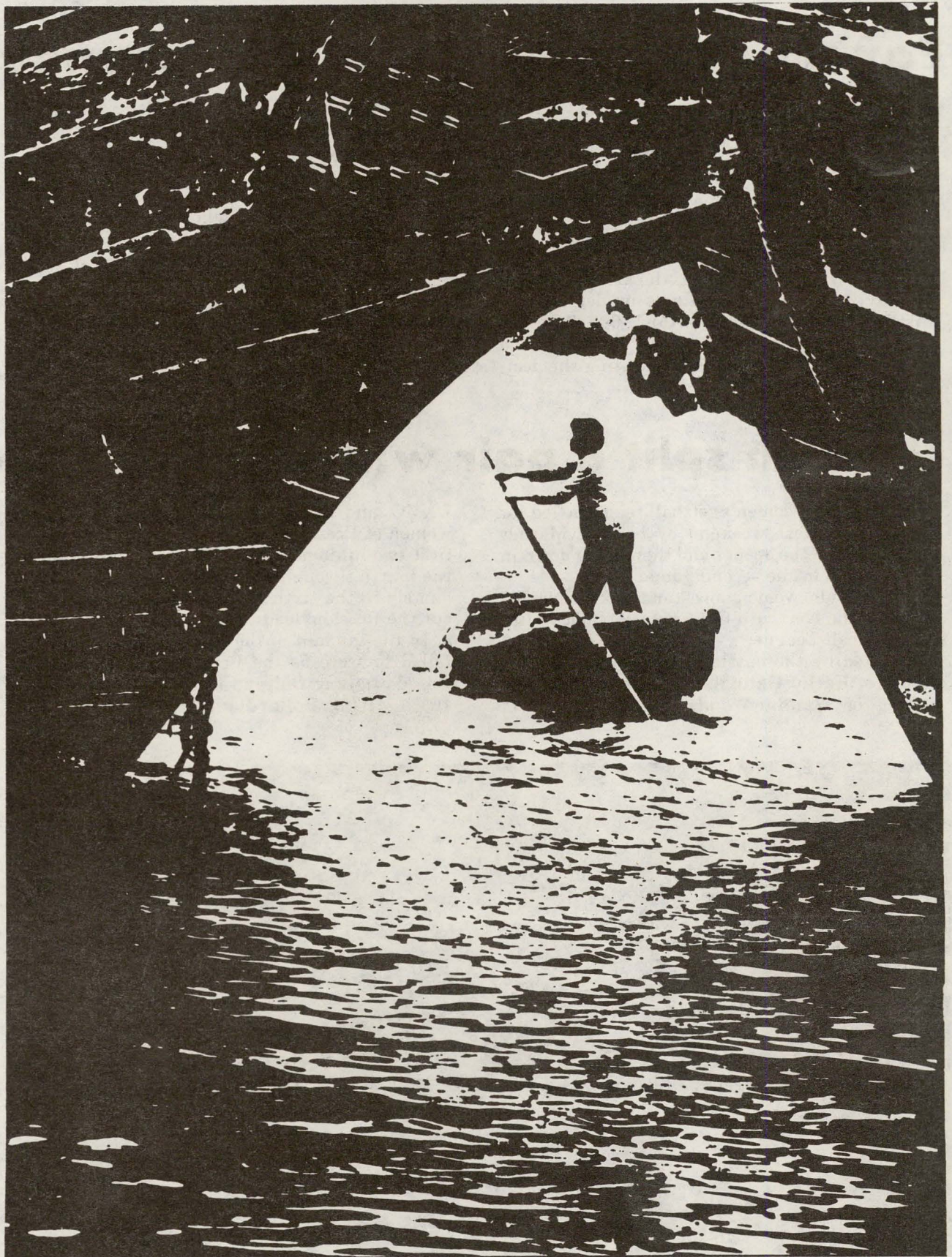
Those wishing to attend should call the Red Cross Office at 561-2187.

Rally set

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will host the **Second Annual Regional Spring Rally**. It will take place on May 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Religious Activity Center. A guest speaker, music from the Mt. Zion Lutheran Kindred, a bible bookstore display and fellowship Luncheon will be featured in the program. Everyone is cordially invited. For further information, please call 561-4159 or 752-1834.

Guthrie lends a hand to 'man the force' during re-up ceremony

Gen. John R. Guthrie, commander Department of the Army Reserve and Development Command, administers the oath of enlistment to Sgt 1st Cl. Nivaldo Pereira, of the Logistics Control Agency. Guthrie visited the Presidio on Monday to address a meeting of the Association of the U.S. Army at the Officer's Club. During his stay, Guthrie visited the DARCOM Logistic's Control Agency and met with Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, Commander of Sixth Army. During his address, Guthrie updated the audience on the status of six of the Army's newest weapons and equipment, including the XM-1 "Abrahms" tank. The General also expressed his concern over the ability of the civilian industrial base to support the Army in the event of mobilization.



Row, row, row, your boat

A lone boatsman holds out in his junket through a tunnel created by larger vessels. The picture by SSgt. Jim Edwards is the

Photo of the Week. If you have a photo you think deserves of the title, drop it by our newsroom in building 36, room 219.



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Old Guard here tomorrow

A colorful pageant featuring the world-famous **Old Guard** from Washington, D.C., will highlight tomorrow's **Armed Forces Day** observance on post.

The pageant, scheduled for 1 and 4 p.m., will trace the history of the American soldier from the minutemen at Lexington and Concord through modern day.

According to Maj. Wayne Allton, project officer, the pageant is entitled, "**A Tribute to the American Soldier**," and will be presented on the main post parade ground in front of Sixth Army Headquarters.

The Old Guard, consisting of the Continental Colors, the Fife and Drum Corps and the U.S. Army Drill team, performs regularly for the President, members of Congress and visiting dignitaries and heads of state.

Known as the 3rd Infantry, the Old Guard, also has responsibility for guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

Joining the Old Guard will be reenactment groups from the Civil War and World Wars I and II, a cavalry unit and an all-black color guard, formed from volunteers on post, to represent the contributions of the 24th Regiment.

There will be a **cavalry charge** during the pageant by the 24th Infantry group from Fort Huachuca Ariz. **Using guns firing black powder and sabre's the group will demonstrate the methods of battle during the settling of the American west.**

The Sixth Army Band will provide music from history throughout the pageant, including songs from the periods covered by the pageant.

Beginning at noon a wide variety of antique and modern equipment and other exhibits will be on display including the M4-A1 white half track, and various historical artillery pieces.

Parking for the Armed Forces Day observance will be in the large parking lot across the USAG. Handicapped parking will be reserved to the corner nearest Pershing Square.

Bleacher seating is available at the parade grounds for the one-hour pageant which is open to the public and free of charge.

There'll be a variety of Armed Forces Day events around the Bay Area this weekend.

On Saturday multi-service displays, exhibits and bands will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the following sites: Balboa Park, Marina Green, Golden Gate Park, Serramonte Shopping Center and Stonestown.

On Sunday there'll be a "Military Band Festival" at the Golden Gate Park bandstand from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Open houses are scheduled at Fort Point and the Yerba Buena Island Coast Guard station from

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The Navy destroyer, USS David R. Ray, will be open to the public at Pier 45 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday.

Treasure Island will open its doors from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.



Capitol performance

The U.S. Army Drill team, shown here during a performance in Washington, D.C., will be a

part of the Presidio's Armed Forces Day pageant on Saturday at 1 and 4 p.m.

Soldier injured in motorcycle accident

by Jon Chelgren

A Presidio soldier is in a coma in the intensive care ward at Letterman Army Medical Center following a weekend motorcycle accident in Marin County.

Sgt. John C. Lacapa, a 23-year-old heavy equipment operator with the 51st Engineer Detachment, is listed in serious condition at LAMC suffering from head injuries after he apparently lost control of a borrowed motorcycle on a curve on Muir Witch Road north of Route 1 Saturday.

According to California highway patrolman Don Dowling, exact details of the accident remain sketchy.

"We are really in the dark," Dowling said Tuesday, "since there were no witnesses and we haven't been able to talk to him."

Dowling said an initial report is expected today and the accident will remain under investigation until further information emerges.

Lacapa had been at Muir Beach Saturday with Sp4s Earl M. Deryke, Thomas B. Hansen and Timothy R. O'Connor, all of the 51st. The group had planned to camp there, but they were forced to find another spot when they discovered that the beach was closed to all campers.

At approximately 5 p.m., Lacapa borrowed a motorcycle from Deryke to search for another site. When he had not returned 45 minutes later, Lacapa's companions began searching for him in a car. They were unable to locate Lacapa until much later when they followed the sound of sirens to the accident scene.

There is some confusion as to the actual time of the accident. In their statements Monday, the soldiers claim to have heard the sirens at 7 p.m., while the Highway Patrol places the time at 8:20.

Lacapa was first rushed to Marin General Hospital in critical condition and was later transferred to LAMC after his condition stabilized.

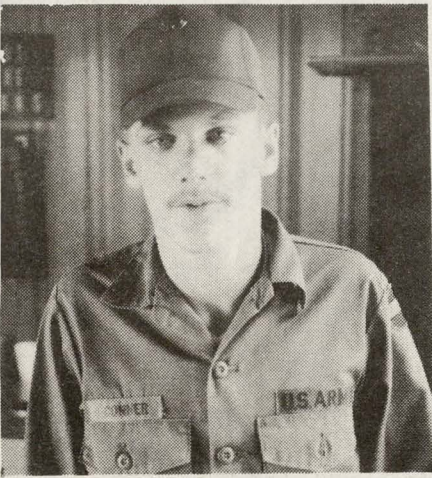
A LAMC spokesman confirmed Lacapa's condition Tuesday and noted that "he is expected to make it." The spokesman further speculated that Lacapa could regain consciousness as early as today.

Lacapa's father, Leo Lacapa, flew in from Phoenix, Ariz., Monday after he was notified of the accident.

Ramblin' Sam

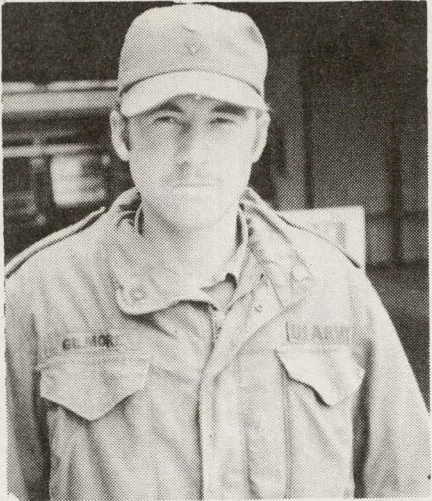
Why do we observe Armed Forces Day?

Sp4 Douglas E. McC-lain, LAMC—"I think we celebrate Armed Forces Day to bring the troops more together so that they can understand what the Armed Forces really are... a lot of them really don't know. And with (Armed Forces Day) it brings a lot of them together and makes them aware that the Armed Forces really is something important."



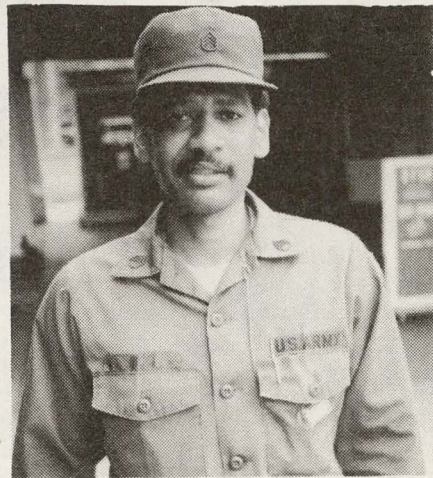
Pvt. Larry W. Conner, 170th MP Co.—"Probably to commemorate all the men that went before to fight for all the things that this country stands for."

Mrs. Robert Sole, Dependent—"Because I am in the Army and I'm all for the Army."



Sp4 Dan Gilmore 864th Eng. Battalion—"I guess because there's been an Army for so long."

SSgt. Victor Rice, 51st Eng. Det.—"To celebrate the soldiers from the past and give them a day of respect... to think about all the places the Army has served in over the years."



Giving doesn't hurt

I remember the first time I gave blood. I was scared and I just knew it was going to hurt.

Well, all my friends reassured me that I wouldn't feel a thing. So off we marched, with me bringing up the rear.

When we got to the blood drive site, I filled out the information card while trying to keep my hand steady.

Soon I was having my blood pressure and temperature checked by a calming and reassuring Red Cross volunteer.

The next thing I knew I was lying flat on my back with my sleeve rolled up. On the cot next to me was a young female soldier who had arrived just a few moments before me.

As a nurse prepared my arm to draw my pint of blood, I watched the face of the young lady next to me. Suddenly her face was wrenched and she let out a quite "ouch!"

"Oh no," I thought, "this is going to hurt." I asked the young lady if

she was all right, and she said yes.

I asked her if it hurt, and she said yes. At that point the nurse came over and asked her if she wanted the needle removed.

Suddenly I felt a sting in my own arm and heard the nurse tell me to squeeze the rubber ball about every five seconds. I was giving blood and I didn't feel a thing.

I asked the soldier next to me why she didn't have the needle taken out and she replied, "It really doesn't hurt that much, and I'll be done in a minute or two. Besides, I really feel good afterwards."

The courage this young lady displayed to help someone else should serve as an example for all of us.

On Tuesday, the Presidio's quarterly blood drive will be held at the NCO Club or the old MOS library at Fort Scott. Why not participate by "giving the gift of life?"

By the way, I've been a blood donor several times since that first drive, and it hasn't hurt at all.

The Editor

An explanation

Many of you are probably wondering what happened to the other half of your newspaper. You are probably saying that now that there are two reporters why did they cut the paper in size.

The explanation is quite simple. The four inside pages are being used as programs for tomorrow's Armed

Forces Day pageant.

If you attend the event, you'll be able to pick up four pages jammed packed with information on many of the groups participating in the pageant.

We'll return to our full eight pages next week.

The Editor

Reader Opinion

How about a bike rack?

Question: Why can't we have bicycle racks to secure our bikes in the Sixth Region CID area or in the parking lot across the USAG?

Don't you think this would encourage energy conservation?

Sgt. 1st Cl. Joe Burns
Sixth Region CID

agreed that installation of bicycle racks could contribute to energy conservation.

During our discussion, Burns volunteered to canvas his office and surrounding buildings to determine the demand for such a facility.

If warranted by demand, say five or more, DFAE will provide and install an appropriate rack.

Answer: Sgt. 1st Cl. Burns was contacted by the Directorate of Facilities Engineering and we

Lt. Col. Don Svendsen
Facilities Engineers

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Kitty Hawk sails into history

by Tom Tiernan

The Kitty Hawk has landed. That was the word early Monday morning after balloonists Maxie and Kris Anderson touched down in Canada, ending their successful flight across the United States.

With a small crowd of spectators and a horde of press on hand, the Kitty Hawk took off at 12:32 a.m., Thursday from Fort Baker.

After almost a month's delay, sirens screamed, horns blared, and the crowd cheered as the gondola attached to a helium filled balloon, rose in the sky and rapidly disappeared over the San Francisco skyline carrying the father and son team into history.

Maxie Anderson, a member of the trio, which crossed the Atlantic in the Double Eagle II, had predicted that the crossing would take four or five days. But thanks to unexpected strong winds, the balloonists landed almost a day early but far from their objective of Kitty Hawk, N. C.

Despite the change in landing spots, Maxie and Kris will have their names inscribed in history books as the first men to cross the country in a balloon. They also set a number of mileage records as well.

Among the items carried on the Kitty Hawk during the historic flight was the Presidio crest, a banner reading, "Support the Armed Forces, Go Army Reserve," and the 504th MP Battalion's guidon pennant.

The Anderson's use of Fort Baker was largely arranged by Col. John Kern, Army Engineers. Assistance to the crew was provided by the 864th Engineers and the military police.

The Kitty Hawk's launch was a proud moment for many Presidians.



Thumbs up, balloon too

Maxie Anderson gives a "thumbs up" to the crowd from the gondola of the Kitty Hawk before he and his son, Kris, depart on their transcontinental flight. The trip ended suc-

cessfully when the pair touched down Monday in Canada. The flight, which started from Fort Baker, was delayed for weeks waiting for the right weather. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Some passed over WOs may stay

Reserve warrant officers facing involuntary separation will soon have a chance to stay on active duty.

All active duty reserve warrant officers who are passed over for promotion to CW3 and CW4 for the second time by the promotion board now meeting may apply. Before, if passed over twice, these warrants would have been released from active duty.

DA officials recently announced that this action will help meet current and projected warrant officer requirements.

This action also affects those warrants who may be considered by other promotion boards for

the rest of FY80. However, it does not affect warrants who were passed over before this year, nor should it be seen as setting an example for future years, officials stress.

Only warrant officers who have completed less than 18 years of active federal service will be considered for retention. If selected, they will continue for a three-year period in their current grade, unless they retire.

Warrant officers who have already reached 18 or more years of active federal service will continue on active duty until retirement.

Those warrant officers completing the initial period will be required to reapply for further active duty or voluntarily separate. If voluntarily separated at that time, they would lose any readjustment pay entitlements that are awarded with an involuntary separation.

Continued reservists will be considered for temporary promotions annually. Those who are selected and accept the promotion will be removed from the continued status.

If you meet this requirement and desire to remain on active duty, contact CW3 E. Brody, at COMPACT, 561-3304.

Bakarich ends 29 years in Army green

Sixth Army will bid farewell to their chief of staff next week as Brig. Gen. Michael Bakarich ends nearly 30 years of service.

An artillery officer, Bakarich holds a Master of Arts degree in Public Administration from Pennsylvania State University. He also attended the Command and General Staff College, and the

United States Army War College.

Bakarich has served almost every place possible for a soldier to see duty during his career. His assignments have included tours in Korea, Japan, Germany, Vietnam, Hawaii, Washington, D. C. and Panama.

Prior to coming to the Presidio in June, 1978, Bakarich served as Assistant Division Com-

mander, Maneuver, for the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea.

A native of Chicago, Ill., Bakarich holds three awards of the Bronze Star Medal with V Device, three awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Medal among many.

At press time, Brig. Gen. Robert S. Young had been named to succeed Bakarich in July.

Baker gets star for birthday

Maj. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, commander of Letterman Army Medical Center, got an early birthday present on Monday, compliments of the U. S. Senate, his second star. Baker will celebrate his birthday May 25.

Baker, who came to LAMC in July 1974, will remain at the hospital until after the first of the year, according to a LAMC spokesman.

The new two-star general did his internship at Madigan Army Medical Center at Fort Lewis, Wash., and his residency at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Denver, Colo.

An avid runner, Baker received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Kansas and his M.D. from the University of Kansas School of Medicine. He recently competed in the Boston Marathon.

A general surgeon, Baker served at Brooke Army Medical Center in Texas before coming to the Presidio.

Lieut. Gen. Charles M. Hall, Sixth Army Commander, presided at the promotion ceremony.



**HAVE YOUR SAY.
VOTE!**

Sports

Tourney planned

The 1980 Commander's Spring Golf Tournament for active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio will be held at the Presidio Golf Course May 21 and 22. Tee off time is 8 a.m.

Two divisions will be conducted, senior division, 40 years of age and over; and open division, 39 years of age and under.

Entries are now being accepted by the Presidio Sports Branch Office, telephone 561-4120/5032.

Lapins moves on

The quarter final match in the 1980 post tennis tournament, open division, between two tough tournament players, LAMC's **Nick Lapins** and **Gary Jones**, saw Lapins losing the first set to Jones 4-6, but coming back to win the second and third sets, 6-3 and 6-2. Jones must now win the losers' bracket before he has a chance to avenge his only loss.

In the senior division, another tough match was played between LAMC's **Boris Stojic**, last year's champion, and **Rudi Ansbacher**, last year's runner-up. Stojic defeated Ansbacher 7-6, 6-3. Ansbacher must win the losers' bracket before a rematch is possible.

In the junior vet's division, Sixth Army's **Bentley Hill** defeated LAMC's **Gene Galvin** to

move a step closer in becoming junior vet champion.

In the women's division, LAMC's **Barbara Zimov** played against LAIR's **Jan Thompson**, winning 6-0, 6-0.

The semi-finals and finals will be played this weekend at Ft. Scott, courts nine and ten.

Bats thunder

FBI's big bats brought thunder to Fort Scott field as they blasted the 666th Radar 15 to 2.

In a game that was not settled until the last out, the policemen of the 170th MP Co. took the verdict over the SJA's by a score of 13 to 10.

The Attorney's from downtown crushed the PX Gas Pumpers from Presidio and Oakland 10 to 0.

LAMC Admin. needed eight innings to overcome LAIR No. 1, 6 to 5.

Posting their third win without a loss, the men of the FBI, defending champions of the Presidio Softball League, needed only five innings to rout the 163rd MP Co. 12 to 1.

David Rameriz's inside the park three-run homer insured a victory for LAMC No. 2 as they over powered the boys of the Air Force from Mill Valley, 8 to 2.

LAIR No. 2, playing with four outstanding women players, held their own ground over the first three innings until the guys from the Service Station found their bats and powered their way to an 11 to 1 win.

Records fall

Eight-year-old **Nick Russo** set three new swimming records to lead the Presidio Aquarius Swim team to an impressive showing in the Pacific Association meet at Santa Rosa last weekend.

Russo placed third in the 25 meter freestyle, first in the 25 meter butterfly, and second in the 50 meter backstroke to set the new records.

Three other Aquarians also set new records: **Kassie Humphrey** in the 50 meter backstroke, **LeAnn Langeliers** in the 50 meter freestyle; and **Victor Castillo** in the 100 meter butterfly and the 400 individual medley.

Other participants for the Aquarians were **Gail Warren**, **Wendy Siefert**, **Teddy Dunne**, **Elizabeth Yelton**, **Lisa Bell**, **Rebecca Askew**, **Robin Wicks**, **Polly Slisz**, **Donna Hibbs**, and **Blanca Castillo**.

Class set

Registration for Summer DYA ballet lessons will take place May 20 and 22 at building 1390, Fort Scott, from 4 to 6 p.m. Classes will begin June 3. For more information, call Mrs. Pierni from noon to 2 p.m. weekdays at 994-0681.

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Class scheduled

In conjunction with National Arthritis Month, Letterman Army Medical Center will host a seminar on the subject on Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. in Torney Hall. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Crime class set

A course in Crime Prevention will be offered by the San Francisco Police Department June 11 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center, building 1216.

The course is free to military personnel, their dependents and civilian employees.

The Education Center can take only 50 enrollments. To reserve your seat, call the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-2974/4455 or the LAMC Education Center at 3692/4030.

Tour available

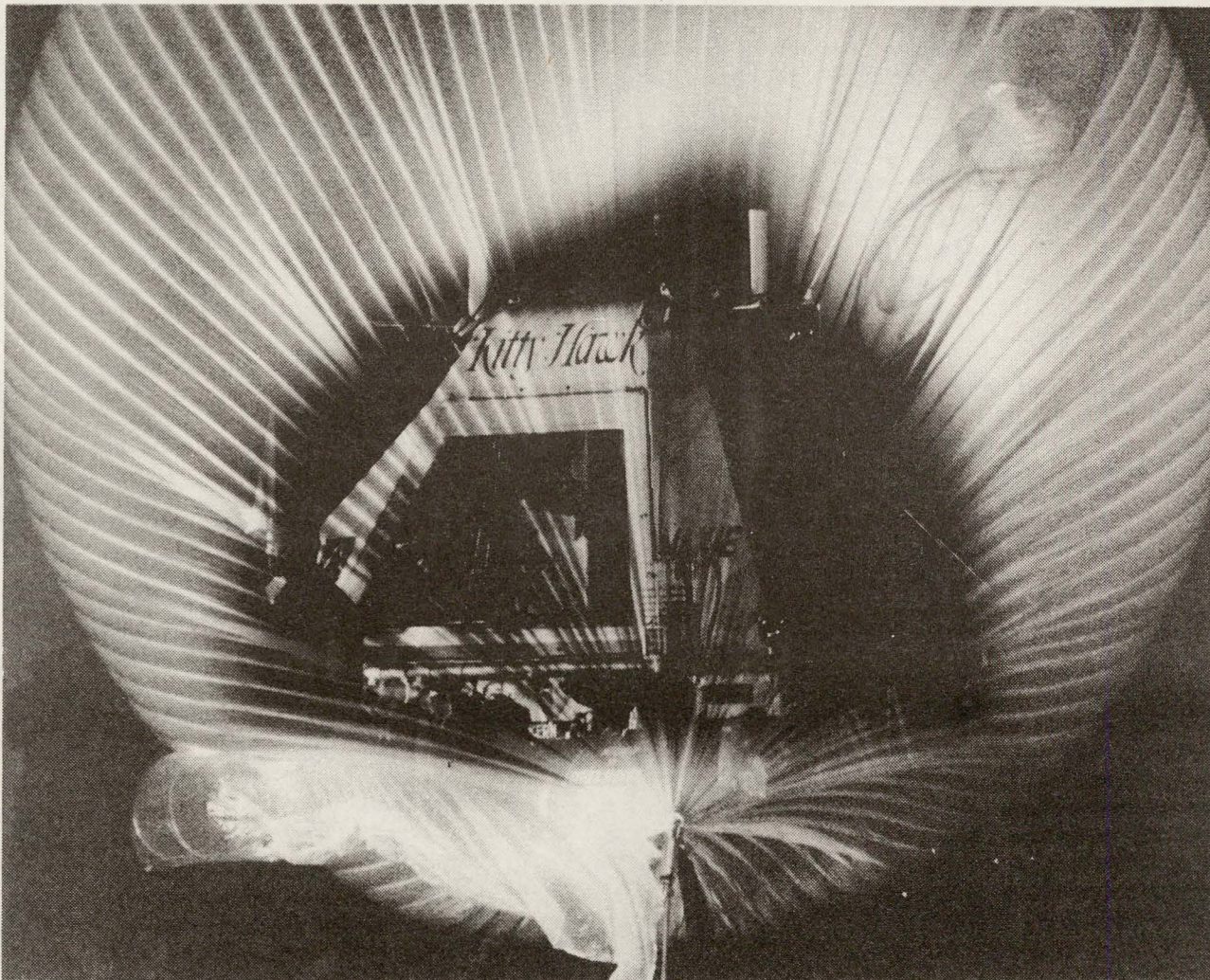
Space is available for the Presidio Rec Center's "3 in 1" Tour which leaves tomorrow at 7:45 a.m. Cost is \$6.

The Recreation Center will be sponsoring the following tours in June: bus tour to Santa Cruz Beach and Boardwalk for \$3; on the 14th and on the 21st, visit the "Wine Country" for \$10 which includes transportation, a catered gourmet lunch, winery tours, and a visit to the "Rhine House," a historic California landmark.

The Recreation Center will hold a chess tournament June 7, at 9 a.m. at the Log Cabin. The tournament will be conducted by an accomplished chessmaster. Finalists will be eligible for consideration in the All-Army/All Services chess tournaments. Prizes and trophies will be awarded. Interested parties are urged to sign up early for this important event, open to active duty military personnel only.

For additional information concerning programs and activities, please call 561-2000, ext. 2000 after 2 p.m. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available daily after 4 p.m.

The Recreation Center is now in the process of forming dart teams to compete in the San Francisco Dart Association tournaments. Interested dart players of all levels of proficiency are urged to call the Recreation Center for further details.



Birds of a nest

To dream the impossible dream is one thing, to do it is another. SSgt. Harvey Kinoshita of the Presidio photo lab presents this tribute to Maxie and Kris Anderson and their successful transcontinental balloon flight. For his

efforts, Kinoshita was named the winner of the Photo of the Week contest. If you have a photo that you think deserves that title, just drop it by the Star Presidian newsroom in building 37, room 219.

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Armed Forces Day 1980

A tribute to the American soldier



All right, who's talking?

"We're up next." That's what Rick Stevenson (second from right) seems to be saying to the

World War I battery of the California Living History group. Stevenson's battery is but one

of the groups which will be appearing during the Presidio's Armed Forces Day pageant.

Schedule of events

Pageant

Performances at 1 and 4 p.m.
Main Parade Ground

National Anthem
(All Stand)

Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps
(Washington D. C.)

Historical Band of the Military Forces of California or the Fife and Drum Corps of Old Calaveras

Civil War Color Guard
(Presidio of San Francisco)

Golden State Cav

Forth Artillery Half Section
(Ft. Hauchuca, Ariz.)

24th Infantry Color Guard
(Presidio of San Francisco)

World War I Group
(California Living History Group)

Prince Charles Pipe Band
(San Francisco)

U. S. Army Drill Team
(Washington, D. C.)

Sky Diving Demonstration
(Presidio of San Francisco)

Cannon salute
(504th MP Battalion, Presidio of San Francisco)

America

Music by the **Sixth U. S. Army Band**
Narrator: **MSgt. Ross Adkins**, (U. S. Army Reserve)

Narration written by **Maj. Michael B. Christy**

Modern and antique military equipment will be on display until the end of the 4 p.m. pageant. The antique equipment is supplied by the California Living History Group.

Museum displays

The **Presidio Army Museum** is also open today. On hand are a wide variety of displays including one on the **Black Soldier**, and the **Battle of the Bugle**. There is no admission to the museum.

Movie

The movie, "**The Star Spangled Banner**," will be shown today at **noon, 12:30, 2:30 and 3 p.m.** in the post theater. The film gives the history of the American flag.

A tribute to the American soldier

by Tom Tiernan

In 1950, President Truman called upon the nation to set aside a day each year to recognize the contributions of American servicemembers.

No finer tribute has been delivered than the one delivered by General of the Army Douglas MacArthur during his farewell address at West Point in 1963, just months short of his death.

Speaking without notes at the age of 83, MacArthur said:

"... And what sort of soldiers are those you are to lead? Are they reliable? Are they brave? Are they capable of victory?"

"Their story is known to all of you. It is the story of the American man at arms. My estimate of him was formed on the battlefield many, many years ago and has never changed.

"I regard him as I regard him now as one of the world's noblest figures. Not only as one of the world's finest military character, but also as one of the most stainless.

"His name and fame are the birthright of every American citizen. In his youth and strength, his love and loyalty, he gave all that mortality can give.

"He needs no eulogy from me nor any other man. He has written his own history and written is in red on his enemies' graves. But when I think of his patience under adversity, of his courage under fire, and of his modesty in victory, I am filled with an emotion of admiration I cannot put into words.

"He belongs to history as furnishing one of the greatest examples of successful patriotism. He belongs to prosperity as the instructor of future generations in the principles of liberty and freedom. He belongs to the present, and to us, by his virtues and by his achievements.

"In twenty campaigns, on a hundred battlefields, around a thousand campfires, I

have witnessed the enduring fortitude, that patriotic self-obligation and that invincible determination which have carved his statue in the heart of his people.

"From one end of the world to the other, they have drained deep from the chalice of courage."

"... I do not know the dignity of their birth, but I do know the glory of their death. They died unquestioning, uncomplaining, with faith in their hearts and on their lips the hope that we would go on to victory. Always for them it was **duty, honor, country**. Always their blood, sweat and tears, as we sought the way, the light and the truth.

"... The soldier above all other men is required to practice, the greatest act of religious training, sacrifice. In battle, and in the face of danger and death, he discloses those divine attributes which his maker gave when he created man in his own image.

"However horrible the incidents of war may be, the soldier who is called upon to give his life for his country is the noblest development of mankind.

"... You stand as the nation's war guardsman... for a century and a half you have defended, guarded and protected its hallowed traditions of liberty and freedom of right and justice.

"... Your guidepost stands out like a ten-fold beacon in the night—**duty, honor country**.

"... The long gray line has never failed us. Were you to do so, a million ghosts in olive-drab, in brown khaki, in blue and gray would rise from their white crosses thundering those magic words, **duty, honor, country**.

"This does not mean that you are war mongers. On the contrary, the **soldier above all other people prays for peace**. For he must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war."



Ever ready

Half a battery equals a full show

Although artillery is now one of the mainstays of the Army, it wasn't introduced into use until the mid-1860s.

The first use of this new firepower was against Apache warriors in retaliation for wiping out a cavalry patrol in Apache Pass, Ariz.

Sixty-six warriors died from the first encounter and from that time forward, Indians carried a great respect for the "great thunderstick."

Representing this era in the history of the American soldier is L Battery, 4th Artillery (Memorial) from Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

The group's history dates back to the latter part of 1776 when the unit was part of the New York militia. Incorporated into the Army in 1847, it continued serving the nation until 1973 when it was disbanded while in Vietnam.

The six members of the unit are dressed in the uniforms of the Indian Campaigns era of the 1880's.

The uniforms of all branches were similar with the exception of the color surrounding the stripes

of the enlisted men and the color of the stripe on the trousers of the officers and their shoulderboards. The color red signifies artillery.

The artillery piece the group uses is a Model 1840 Mountain Howitzer-12 pounder. It actually fires a four and a half pound cannonball.

During their performance, the group will set up the Howitzer, load and fire. Then the ground troops will deploy in front of the weapon while the gun crew reloads.

The unit is called an artillery half section simply because it is one half of a two tube section. During the 1880s, artillery was set up in two basic configurations—the Peace department and the War department.

The peace department set up with four to six tubes while the War department had six to eight tubes.

The individual soldiers carry 45-70 carbines, called Gateloid carbines which are non-automatic, requiring reloading for each shot.



Welcome
to our
pageant

On behalf of the men and women of the United States Army at the Presidio of San Francisco, I welcome you to Armed Forces Day, 1980.

Thirty years ago, President Truman issued a proclamation calling for a day that would recognize the contributions and sacrifices of the military. For over two hundred years, millions of men and women in uniform have helped our nation flourish by providing the support it has needed in time of crisis. Their heritage is one of winning, one of building a nation and one of defending our nation against every challenge.

This has meant hard work and the sacrifice of many everyday comforts of life in order to serve this nation with distinction. Your attendance here today demonstrates an appreciation for that spirit and dedication.

Your presence is a reminder of the friendship that exists between the Armed Forces and the people of the Bay Area.

F. WHITNEY HALL, JR.
Colonel, U. S. Army
Commanding

Old Guard is more than music

They are one of a kind. They are highly trained, motivated and among the best in the world. They are the Old Guard.

Straight from our nation's capital, the Old Guard, comes to California and the Presidio to help observe Armed Forces Day 1980.

Known as the Third Infantry, the Old Guard, is comprised of several different groups, including the Fife and Drum Corps, the U.S. Army Drill Team, and the Continental Color Guard which are appearing in the Presidio's pageant. Other soldiers assigned to the elite unit participate as guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers, in the Commander-in-Chief's Guard and in other ceremonial units.

Bedecked in colonial uniforms, the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps was organized in 1960 and performs primarily at ceremonial functions and parades. The unit has appeared at the White House, the World's Fair, inaugural parades and on national television. Most recently the group opened the 1980 Winter Olympics held at Lake Placid, New York.

The Corps uses six-hole, wood fifes, handmade rope-tensioned drums and bugles - replicas of the instruments used during the War for Independence. The unit consists of 29 men plus the drum major who wears a light infantry cap.

The music performed by the group reflects our American heritage. Among their most popular tunes are "Drums and Guns," "British Grenadier," "Hell on the Wabash," and "Yankee Doodle." Their music has been carefully researched from original documents dating back to the eighteenth century.

The Fife and Drum Corps marches at the old cadence of 90 steps per minute, and at the slow, stately "troop" step of 60 steps per minute when trooping the line in salute to a reviewing party, as well as marching at today's cadence of 120 steps per minute.

The U.S. Army Drill Team, organized in 1957, is an 18-man unit selected on a competitive basis.

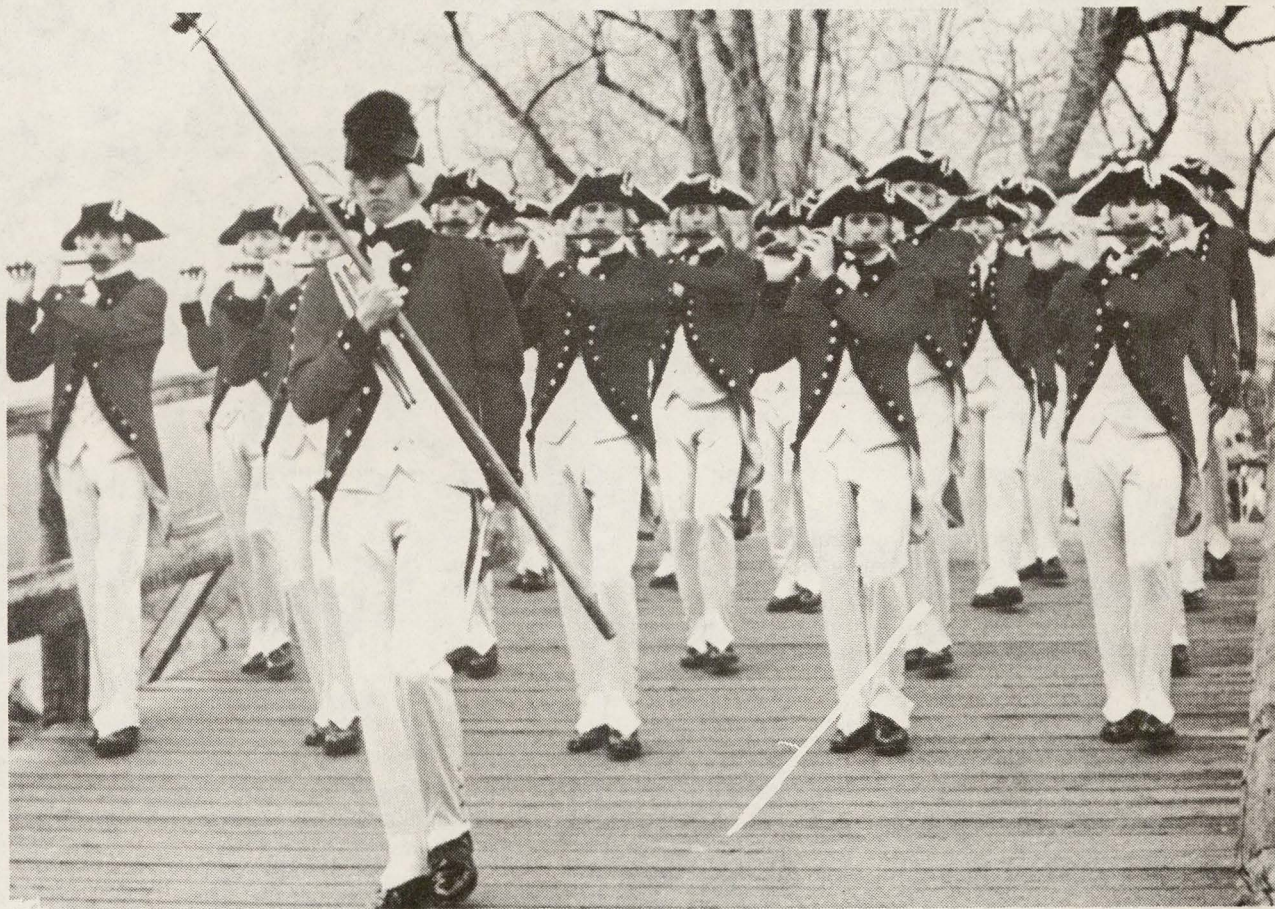
The group members are selected for their physical appearance, bearing, strength, and dexterity. It takes six months of rigorous drill practice with the 1903 Springfield rifle before a candidate qualifies for the unit.

The team's repertoire includes the Queen Anne Salute, and a speciality drill in which the drill master stands surrounded by four soldiers tossing their ten-pound, bayoneted rifles over his head.

The team's most spectacular routine is also a rifle toss. Without breaking cadence, the team

members toss the chrome-bayoneted rifles from front to rear, often as high as 15 feet in the air and 25 feet behind them.

The marching cadence of the drill team is 140 steps per minute, considerably faster than regular march tempo. Their timing must be letter perfect, as all routines are accomplished without vocal cadence or musical cues.



Revolutionary march

Three members of the Old Guard's Fife and Drum Corps bring the Revolutionary War soldier to life. The Fife and Drum Corps is one

of the groups appearing during the Armed Forces Day pageant which honors soldiers throughout history.

Adkins, the star of the show?

by Jon Chelgren

While spectators rivet their attention on the groups participating in the Armed Forces Day pageant, most will only glance at a central figure to all the acts—the pageant narrator, MSgt. Ross Adkins.

But Adkins, a veteran of 25 years' broadcasting experience, says his role is crucial to the pageant's staging.

"An announcer can make or break a show," he says. "If you have someone out there just reading off a script... it imparts no excitement. In fact, it will degenerate the show. But if you get someone that's excited and can build the excitement, it will make even a mediocre show seem... great."

But Adkins stresses that the narrator must walk a fine line between adding to or overwhelming a performance.

"You can't in any way detract from the show," he explains. "You can build an act up, (but) I have seen air show announcers... who will overpower the act and spoil it."

For Adkins, the Presidio's pageant represents a change of pace. He is a much sought after announcer for air shows and normally narrates five to six shows a year.

Adkins' talents have been honored during a career that spans 25 years and involves virtually every facet of civilian radio and television broadcasting.

His interest started as a high school student in Bakersfield where he worked part time as a disc jockey for a local radio station.

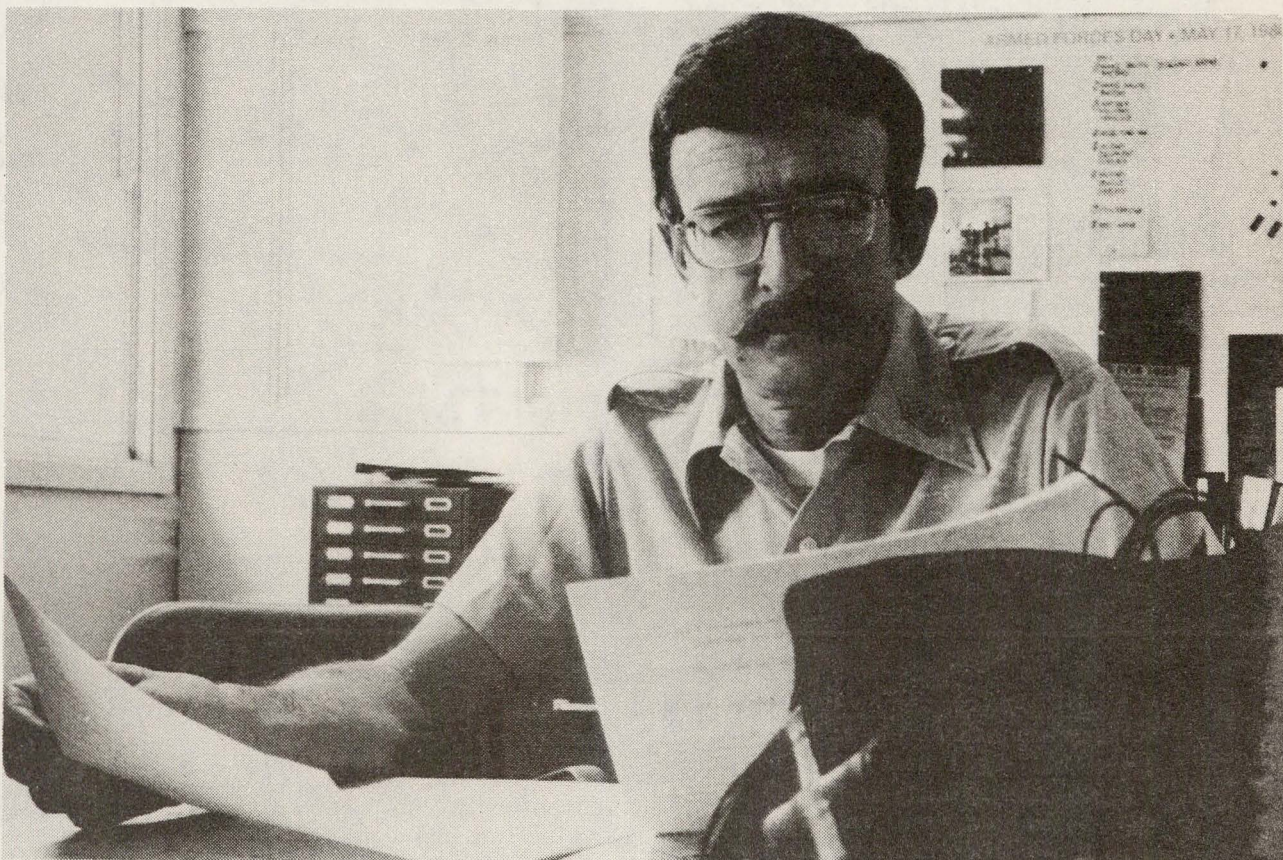
During his student days, Adkins was featured with four other high school broadcasters in a "Life" magazine story.

After years of working in a variety of broadcast jobs throughout the country, Adkins decided he wanted to leave the civilian media, so he started working in the field of military public affairs.

"I guess," he explains, "you might say I made a... 'mid-life change'. I decided to get out of the really high-pressure broadcasting world... and into public affairs for the Army."

Although he still does "quite a bit" of free-

lance work for Los Angeles area radio and television stations, Adkins now devotes himself full time to his job as the civilian chief of public affairs for the 63rd Army Reserve Command in Los Angeles.



The master of voice

MSgt. Ross Adkins reviews the script for the Armed Forces Day pageant. Adkins brings 25 years' broadcasting experience to his job as

the pageant's narrator. He says, "An announcer can make or break a show." (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Cavalry group to shoot it up

The settling of the American west has long been considered one of the most colorful periods in our history.

The task of bringing and maintaining safety in the new frontier fell to the American soldier. The tales of glory of these soldiers and their trusty steeds will live forever in the annals of our nation's history.

The **Golden State Ceremonial Cavalry** was formed to preserve the memory of the horse cavalry. Since 1975 the group has performed in many events throughout California and Nevada bringing home many competitive awards.

Capt. James Heustees and Cpl. Ray Lovesee will perform a sabre drill during which they will engage infantry targets. The sabre was used during this period because it was the most effective weapon for man-to-man combat that a mounted soldier could carry.

Often in the heat of battle a soldier would have his horse shot out from under him, leaving him in a very dangerous position. His only hope for survival was if he was picked up by a comrade. Sgt. Leroy Martin and Pvt. David Penick will demonstrate this technique.

Many times the cavalry soldier found himself up against an enemy who had barricaded himself behind an obstacle. This required the soldier to be able to carefully control his horse while at the same time striking a deadly blow to his foe.

Sgt. Dana Waer will demonstrate the sabre charge during the pageant.

Due to military budget limitations, ammunition was in short demand during the settling of

the west. Therefore, the soldiers had to be very good shots.

Using wadding and black powder only, Lovesee will demonstrate how the soldier in the old west took on their enemies.

The settling of the old west was a colorful time and the Golden State Ceremonial Cavalry has spent thousands of hours authenticating their uniforms and the various demonstrations they perform to create as real an image of this time as possible.



Charge!

The Golden State Cavalry will relive the days of mounted soldiers during the Presidio's salute to soldiers down through history during the Armed Forces Day pageant. The Cav

group will demonstrate a variety of equestrian feats.

Bagpipers do more than perform

The Prince Charles Pipe Band is an award-winning educational group from the Bay Area which is devoted to instructing and refining the piping, drumming and highland dancing abilities of its teenage members.

The band was originally formed in 1968 by a small group of boy scouts who wanted to further refine their musical abilities. Since that time, the band has grown into an 80-member troupe which offers youths a chance to participate in three level ranging from novice to professional.

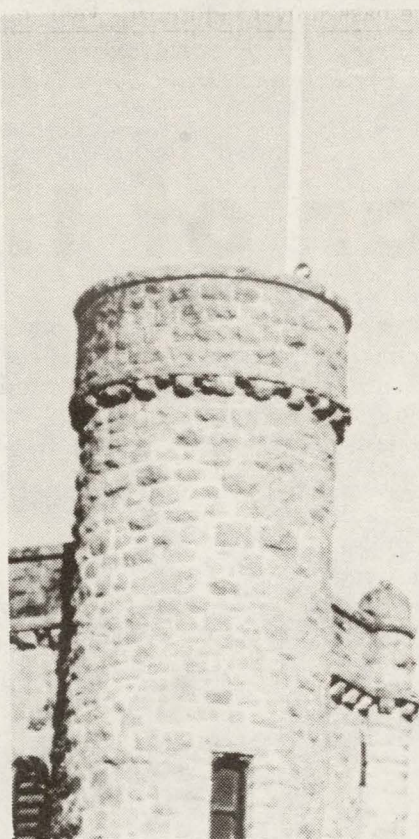
According to the band manager, Jack Sutherland, the highlight of the group's 12-year history was a 1978 tour of Scotland. It was there that the band swept the prestigious Cowal gathering at Dunoon, considered to be the world championship for pipe bands. It was the first time a band from the United States had ever taken the competition.

In addition to the Scotland tour, the band routinely enters and tops regional, national and international competitions, as well as making regular performances throughout the area.

But the band is more than just a performing group. It sponsors Explorer Post 124 for the benefit of its older members and it teaches the history and the legacy of the Scottish culture to participants.

Moreover, the band sponsored the Northern California College of Piping and Drumming, a two-week summer course that drew students from throughout the western states.

The school's chief was retired Capt. John MacLelland, the former director of the British Army School of Piping at Edinburgh Castle.



Plaid piper

A contingent from the Prince Charles Pipe Band will perform authentic scottish music as a part of the entertainment during the Armed Forces Day pageant. The bay-area



group was the first band to ever sweep the Cowal gathering at Dunoon, Scotland, considered to be the world championship for pipe bands.

Group bridging the generation gap

Although they represent the period around the mid-1800s, the **Historic Band of the Military Forces of California** spans the generation gap with members ranging in age from 12 years to veterans of World War II.

Better known as the **Fifes and Drums of Old Calaveras**, the group is a re-creation of the field musicians of the Third Brigade, Third Division, California Militia which served around 1860.

Composed of members of the state military

reserve and California Cadet Corps, the group is authentically equipped with replica uniforms and instruments of the 1860s.

The flags carried by the group include the 34 star U.S. Flag of the civil war period, the California "bear flag," and the colors of the "First California Guard," the first unit formed in the state in 1849 by the military governor.

During their performance in the Armed Forces Day pageant, the group will perform four num-

bers, the "Battle Cry of Freedom," "Bonnie Blue Flag," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Dixie," and "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon."

Since 1975, the corps has appeared throughout California at various events. Some of the music performed at these activities dates back to 1750. The music routines and ceremonies are those which were performed by early California units.

Recently the group became a part of the living history program of the California National Guard because of its historic ties with early California.

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Camp Parks studied as refugee site

Camp Parks is among a number of other military bases being studied by FORSCOM as a site for a Cuban refugee relocation center, it was revealed last weekend.

According to Mr. Pete Britten, chief of Public Information for the post, **there are no specific plans to make use of the reserve training center located in Pleasonton at this time.**

Refugees are currently being sent to Fort Indiantown Gap, Pa., Fort Chaffee, Ark., and

to bases in Key West and Eglin, Fla.

One of the factors affecting any decision about the possible use of Camp Parks would be the use of the facility for reserve training.

A reserve MOS training center is scheduled to open to the facility on June 15 and close Aug. 5. The school would train 1000 to 1200 reservists during the period. This would reduce the number of refugees which could be processed at the center from 2,000 to 1,000.

If the facility is selected for use, post officials estimate that it would take about 30 days before the refugees could begin arriving at Camp Parks, Britten said. Costs, including transportation, would total nearly three million dollars.

Part of Hamilton Air Force Base, in Marin County, is currently being used by the State Department to process Indochinese refugees but is not being studied as a possible site for the Cuban refugees.

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Army Chief of Staff to speak here

by Jon Chelgren

Gen. Edward C. Meyer, Army chief of staff, will discuss "Our Army in the '80s" during a luncheon sponsored by the Association of the U.S. Army June 16 at the Presidio Officers' Club.

Meyer's topic closely allies the theme of his "White Paper 1980" in which he detailed his vision of molding the Army into a well-trained fighting force to meet the challenges of the coming decade.

Meyer, who sees the '80s as a time of "evident

hazard to critical national interests," stresses in his White Paper the need for the Army to prepare for "the three days of War."

In Meyer's view, the "three day" concept means that the Army must prepare to "deter the day before the war; to fight the day of the war; and to terminate the conflict in such a manner that on that day after war, the United States and its allies enjoy an acceptable level of security."

The White Paper goes on to detail preparations for that strategic requirement in the areas of force structure, manpower, modernization, train-

ing and mobilization.

Meyer's address is part of a two-day visit to the Presidio. He is expected to arrive June 15 and receive a variety of briefings at Sixth Army June 16 before attending the AUSA luncheon.

The luncheon is open to all Presidio soldiers and civilians, although AUSA members will have priority for the limited number of tickets available.

Persons wishing to attend should contact Bob Joy at 561-2035 for tickets and additional information.

AER needs your help

Last year 202 Presidio soldiers received a helping hand from an old friend, the Army Emergency Relief Fund.

Today, the AER is in need of a helping hand from every soldier on post.

A private, non-profit organization, AER began in 1942 to "help the Army take care of its own." It merged with the Army Relief Society in 1976 to provide emergency assistance to active and retired soldiers and their dependents as well as the spouses and orphans of deceased members.

AER also provides educational loans and scholarships to the unmarried dependent sons and daughters of living or deceased Army members.

Financial assistance in the form of loans or grants is available whenever an emergency, such as a death in the family arises. AER also helps out when there is no available source of funds, such as when a pay check is lost or delayed in the mail.

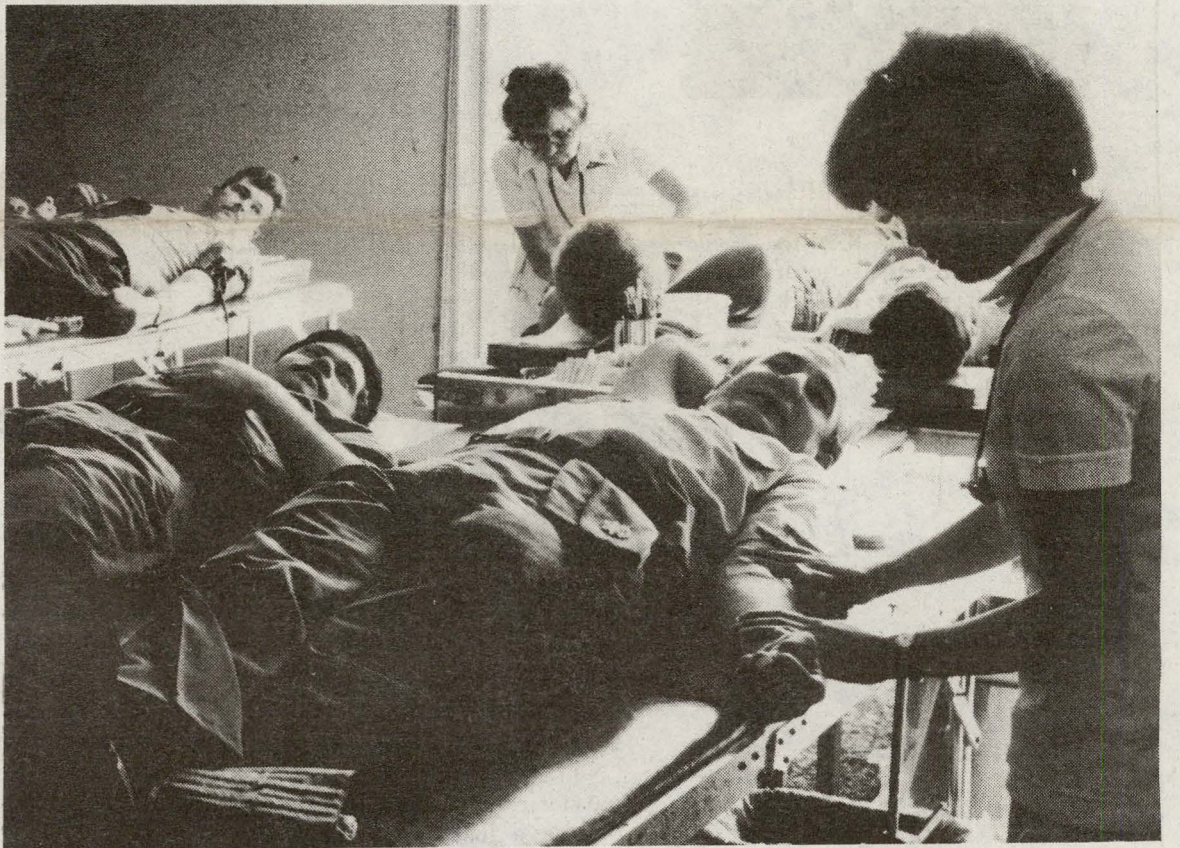
The money to provide assistance comes solely from the contributions of soldiers and other concerned individuals.

The amount of assistance provided to soldiers on the Presidio is not limited by the amount of funds raised here, but by the amount raised world-wide.

The annual AER fund drive which began May 1 and ends June 15, has raised only \$312 to date from post soldiers. Last year the fund loaned out an average of \$217 to each of the 202 soldiers it helped.

If you can spare a few dollars to "help the Army take care of its own," contact your unit or office representative, or Sgt. 1st Cl. Richard Brogden at 561-4082.

Retirees may contact Mr. Nightingale at the Army Community Service Center, 561-5156 and civilians may contact Brogden.



Giving the 'gift of life'

These soldiers were part of the nearly three hundred Presidians that gave during the quarterly drive for Irwin Memorial Blood Bank. Although the total for donations was substantially

lower than the past quarter, more blood is expected Tuesday. The Irwin staff

returns Aug. 19 for the next drive. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio blood flows, more expected Tues.

Presidians turned out Tuesday to donate 289 pints of blood during the quarterly Irwin Memorial Blood Bank drive.

Members of D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion had already donated 56 pints when a "mini mobile unit" visited Fort Scott May 12, according to Jessie Sam, Irwin's Presidio coordinator. D Company's participation brings the quarterly total to 345 pints.

That figure is substantially lower than the last drive. More than 420 pints of blood

were donated then. One reason for the drop, says Sam, is the inability of soldiers from the 504th Military Police Battalion to participate Tuesday. Elements of the 504th are undergoing standing annual inspections.

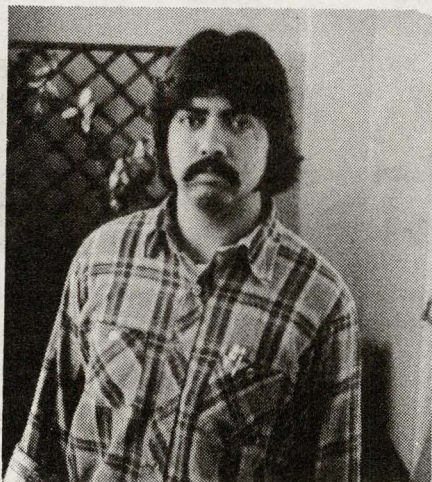
Sam is arranging for a bus to take 504th soldiers to Irwin Tuesday to give them the opportunity to donate there.

The next Irwin drive is scheduled for Aug. 19 at the same locations, the old MOS library and the NCO Club.

Ramblin' Sam

Are Americans still patriotic?

Bob Mazariegos, Facilities Engineers—"I think in certain situations people are patriotic. It seems it takes things like happened in Iran before they are, however."



Maj. Wallace J. Brown, LAMC EEO—"I would say that the majority of Americans are patriotic. There is, however, a small segment of our society that speak out on topics which often appear to be unpatriotic."

SSgt. Oda B. Hunt, LAMC—"Generally speaking they are. But in dealing with the issue of draft registration, I think many Americans have a tendency to do a lot of back pedaling."



Sp5 Earl C. Harris, III, Post Reenlistment—"No. People were more patriotic years ago. People have lost confidence in the military since Vietnam and as a consequence, soldiers are underpaid and neglected."

Sp4 Doreen Fingers, 163rd MP Co.—"Sure they are. Everyone is backing the President. They are also supporting his decision not to participate in the summer Olympics."



Command Time

It was a fine show

Last Saturday was Armed Forces Day and nearly ten thousand people visited our post to take part in all the pageantry and drama of a

program honoring soldiers of the past and present. The program was an immense success.

The program's success was due in no small part to the many soldiers of our post who gave of their free time

and voluntarily participated. This includes those who appeared as players in the pageant itself and

those who were involved in behind-the-scenes activities such as caring for horses, driving buses, erecting bleachers and policing trash. The

Presidio Community joined through the Scouts, Youth and USO booths.

Their willing participation, combined with the cooperative attitude

extended by several post agencies, helped to make Armed Forces Day 1980 a fitting and memorable salute

to the men and women in Army green.

I am proud of all those who participated and helped in any way with the Armed Forces Day. The many glowing comments in praise of

the day made by those who attended, prove just how successful your

efforts were. I thank each of you for a job well done.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Reader Opinion

Renewed my faith

Editor,

I want to convey my thanks and appreciation for the celebration of Armed Forces Day. As an individual, as the wife of a retired military man and as the mother of a brand new Army second lieutenant, I am admittedly prejudiced when it comes to "Duty, Honor and Country." And, too often I have been concerned about the lack of patriotism among the American people.

However, thanks to the various military contingencies of the Armed Forces in Friday's wonderful parade through downtown San Francisco,

my faith in my fellow citizens has been renewed. For the most part, the parade took the financial district by surprise, but—Oh, how they loved

it! Windows that could be opened—were and paper and streamers came flying down; applause and cheers abound! Men and women stopped the military parade monitors to shake their hands and express their thanks and gratitude! I can't remember when I've seen so many smiling, happy faces in this part of town—not even when the market was up.

So, for myself and for all the others who today shared our pride in our country's men and women in uniform, my heartfelt thanks for a very special moment to reflect and remember the meaning of patriotism!

Sincerely,
Connie E. Smith

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Pageant a learning experience

by Jon Chelgren

For at least five Presidio soldiers, Armed Forces Day 1980 was a real learning experience.

Sgt. Gwendolyn Goldbeck, Sp5s Jeanette H. Jones and Doris Modglin and Sp4s Donna Piper and Deborah Schoettlin, all of USAG, appeared during the Armed Forces Day pageant representing historical women characters from the Civil War era.

Preparing for their appearance gave them a chance to learn a great deal about the contributions of females to the war effort.

According to Modglin, the group's organizer, the inclusion of the women in the pageant was a last minute idea.

"It was two weeks prior to the pageant," Modglin explains, "and there was no representation of women. I thought (the pageant) would be an ideal time to do it."

"I felt that there was a need for the public and the military," she continues, "to be a little bit more aware of the history of women actively taking part in uniform."

So Modglin approached the pageant's project officer, Maj. Wayne Allton, with her proposal to include a group of females representing the contributions of women during the Civil War.

She says that she settled on the Civil War because it is "one where many people didn't know that much about women actually being a part of it."

Although she secured Allton's approval, Modglin says the burden of documenting and researching the characters fell to her.

As she researched the characters through museums, historians and libraries, Modglin noticed a curious lack of information about women during the Civil War.

"Not too many people have written about women," she says, "because in those days they were very prejudiced towards... sex. And women, even though they were appointed in positions, were not officially recognized by the War Department... The only reason that has been brought out... is that they were prejudiced... and felt that women should not be recognized for their services."

Modglin says most of the historical information comes from letters home written by men who served alongside the women.

Modglin was able to secure some biographical sketches of the characters from the U. S. Army Military Institute at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., which were based on such letters and other "original" documents from the period.

During the pageant, Modglin appeared as the character Ella Hobart, a chaplain with the 1st Wisconsin Heavy Artillery. Like the others,

Hobart's contributions were never officially recognized by the War Department despite her appointment.

Goldbeck portrayed Harriet Tubman, whom Modglin terms "a great slave freer" during the Civil War. Modglin also credits Goldbeck with

supplying much of the information about the Tubman.

A woman who was awarded the Medal of Honor for her actions, Mary Edwards Walker, was portrayed by Jones. Like many males during the civilian war, Walker lost her Medal of Honor in 1917 because no documentation could be found to substantiate her activities.

Piper marched during the pageant as Confederate Lt. Harry T. Bufort. Like many women during the war, Bufort served as a soldier by day and turned on her feminine charms at night to spy on the enemy.

Schoettlin appeared during the pageant as Frank Thompson, a Union soldier and spy during the war. According to Modglin, Thompson—or Sarah Emma Evelyn Edmonds as she actually

was named—accomplished the most toward achieving her goals. After the war, Edmonds collected letters and affidavits from her fellow male

soldiers and used them as documentation to apply for a veteran's pension. She was granted the pension, which amounted to \$12 a month.

As a result of her own frustrations researching the role of Civil War women and because of the

interest shown by many during the pageant, Modglin is now compiling a booklet for dissemination to museums and libraries which

will contain biographies of some of the characters as well as bibliographies directing future researchers toward more information.



Women of the past

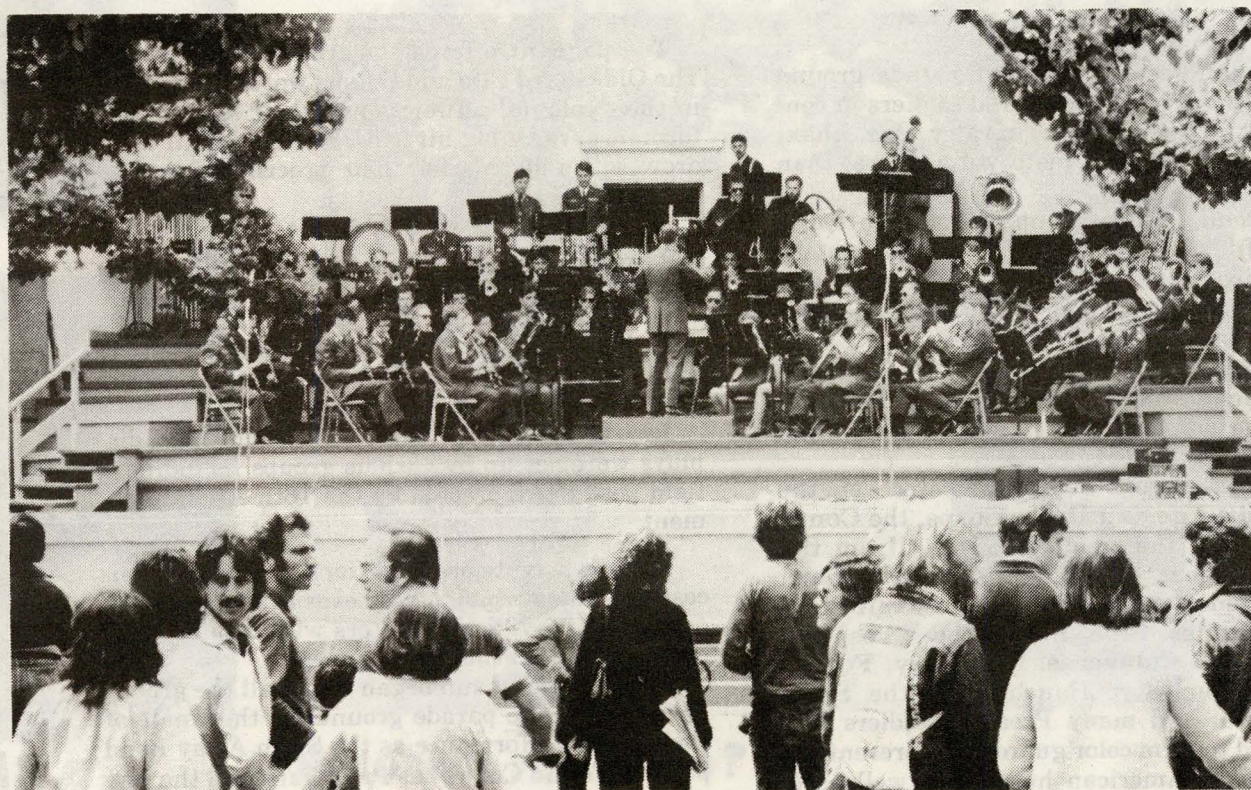
Sgt. Gwen Goidbeck, playing Harriet Tubman, Sp5 Doris Modglin, representing Chaplain Ella Hobart, Sp4 Debbie Schoettlin, in the uniform of Sarah Emma Evelyn Edmonds alias Frank Thompson, Sp5 Jeanette Jones as Mary Edwards Walker, and Sp4 Donna Piper Lt. Harry T. Bufort, march in the Armed

Forces Day pageant. The five USAG women represented the contributions made by

women not only during the Civil War but throughout American history during "A Salute to the American Soldier." (Photo by Tina Juber).

Military bands 'sound-off' in GG Park

1st Lt. Tony Cason, director, Sixth Army Band, directs a joint services band during a performance at the Golden Gate Park band concourse last Sunday. The concert was part of a Military Band Festival held in conjunction with Armed Forces Week. Cason and the Sixth Army Band had a busy week as they appeared almost daily including at the Presidio's two pageants on Saturday. (Photo by Harvey Kinosita).





A little off the mark

A member of the Presidio Skydiving Club lands in the crowd.

Colorful pageant makes history

by Tom Tiernan

History unfolded on the post parade ground last Saturday as several hundred soldiers in continental red, blue and grey, cavalry blue, khaki and olive-drab relived history for more than 10,000 visitors.

Throughout the two 90-minute pageants, the sounds of fife and drum, bugles, cannons, pistols, and bag pipes filled the air as the Presidio and San Francisco paid honor to the American soldiers.

The participants in the pageant, "A Salute to the American Soldier," came from as far away as Washington, D.C. Many others came from right on post.

Among the groups which participated were the Old Guard's Fife and Drum Corps, the Continental Colors, the members of the "I am the Infantry" pageant, the U.S. Army Drill team. Others included the Golden State Cavalry, the Prince Charles Pipe Band, the Fifes and Drums of Old Calaveras, L Battery, Fourth Artillery from Fort Huachuca, the Sixth Army Band, and many Presidio soldiers who volunteered to form color guards to represent the various era in American history, as well as to handle other details such as operating the horse stables.

The pageant offered something for everyone. The Old Guard Fife and Drums were resplendent in their colonial uniforms and their snappy performance was a big hit as U.S. Army Drill team drew oo's and ah's for their precision executed drills.

Young children appeared to especially enjoy the Golden State Cavalry as they performed a number of horseback skills.

Veterans of World Wars I and II seemed to drift back to those days when they heard the tones of the Prince Charles Pipe Band. And the Sixth Army Band was in fine tune.

In addition to the pageant, a number of displays were set up by various groups including a field post office erected by the 16th AG Detachment.

Various private organizations on post ran concession stands which netted over \$1,000 in profit, as well as provided spectators with cool refreshments in the warm afternoon sun.

As the evening sun began to set, all the groups gathered on the parade ground for the finale of the second performance as the Sixth Army Band played "To the Colors" as Presidians and the Bay Area neighbors paid honor to their nation and those men and women who guard its freedom.



Brassy colonial troops

The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps perform during the Armed Forces Day pageant. The group performs regularly in Washington D.C., where they are stationed.



Preparing for the charge

Members of the Golden State Cavalry prepared to perform.



Blowin' his horn

The bugle section of the Old Guard Fife and Drum Team.

Photos by Tom Tiernan



Where's my rifle?

A rifle flies through the air during the performance of one of the most

dangerous drills in the U.S. Army Drill Teams performance.

Are you out of uniform?

by Tom Tiernan

Has the recent whirlwind of changes in Army uniforms got your head in a spin trying to decide which shirt goes with what pants, or skirt?

If so, don't feel like the "Lone Ranger" because a great many of your fellow soldiers are finding themselves in the same boat.

In the past two years the Army has added and subtracted so many items from the soldier's wardrobe that confusion on just what to wear to work is being seen among all levels of soldiers from senior officers to the lowest ranking of enlisted folks.

Some of the more common violations of the uniform wear policy are listed below.

Shortening the sleeves of the long gray-green service shirts. These shirts were especially designed to be worn with a tie so their collars stand rather than lay like those on the short sleeve model which may be worn with or without a tie.

Many women are apparently confused over

when to wear the white blouse. This item **cannot be worn as an outer garment with the AG 344 skirt.**

Women may not wear the Army green pantsuit tunic as an outer garment with the AG 344 skirt and AG 344 pantsuit slacks.

While diamonds may be a girls' best friend, you'd better wear them on your fingers and not in your ears while in uniform. **Soldiers are not permitted to wear earrings, regardless of sex.**

Women wearing the green Army sweaters as an outer garment with uniforms other than the AG 160 cords, hospital duty and food service uniforms could find themselves in hot water.

Carrying a commercially designed or purchased handbag while in uniform is also a no-no for the female soldiers.

Even more confusion was added to matters when the Army has adopted a new black windbreaker for wear by both males and females.

To beat the rush to the PX some soldiers decided to pick up the Navy's windbreaker instead. Sorry, Charlie, the Army version is different and you can't wear that \$22 Navy jacket.

The new gray-green shirt has become so popular that almost every one is wearing them these days. Don't forget that the **insignia of rank must be worn at all times, even when wearing the green blouse.**

Now if you're headed where it gets cold, remember you **can't wear your overcoat with the Army grey-green shirt if the shirt is used as an outer garment.**

For you guys who enjoy wearing the windbreaker, remember that it **must be zipped at least three-fourths of the way up.**

If you have any questions on how to wear the many new items in your wardrobe, check AR 670-1 for more information before you hear, "Hey soldier, you're out of uniform."

Life savers practice combat skills

Soldiers assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center recently took part in Combat Environment Transition Training at Camp Parks, Calif. as part of a program to reemphasize their primary mission of supporting combat operations.

The training was conducted in four three-day cycles from April 28 to May 10. Officer and enlisted, doctor and nurse trained side-by-side. The only LAMC soldiers exempt from the training were those who had served in a field unit during the past training year.

During the training, the soldier's day began with calisthenics and a run at 5 a.m. Training normally lasted until 10 p.m. It covered a variety of tasks including familiarization firing with the .45 caliber pistol and M-16 rifle and nuclear, chemical and biological training.

The soldiers also took time to sharpen their skills in field organization land navigation and field sanitation.

They were also required to run an obstacle course with "causalties" on litters for training in the transportation of sick and wounded under combat conditions.

Hoping to set the pace for the program, Maj. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, LAMC commander, participated in the first cycle as a trainee.

"I was tremendously impressed with the enthusiasm of the cadre... the quality of the teaching and... the spirit shown by the attendees," Baker later said. "I sensed the development of a feeling of teamwork and esprit which was most gratifying."



Lifesavers learn to kill

Members of the staff at Letterman Army Medical Center qualify with the .45 caliber pistol during their field training at Camp Parks. The training was designed to acquaint

the soldiers with the conditions they might face if they were in a field hospital in combat.

(Photo by Gene Hill, LAMC PAO)

Lowest in town

VA lowers loan interest rate

If soaring interest rates have prevented you from buying a home, VA may be able to shine some light through what may seem like a dark tunnel.

That 14 percent interest rate, in effect since April 3, was **lowered to 13 percent** earlier this month, according to VA officials.

For example, if a veteran buys a home with a 30-year, \$50,000 GI loan, the one percent rate cut

will lower monthly payments by about \$50.

This rate change does not affect existing loans, as the interest rate remains the same over the life of a loan.

VA and the Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly agreed upon the new 13 percent rate, keeping it in line with lowered interest rates in the private sector.

VA guarantees loans made by private lenders

to eligible veterans, unmarried surviving spouses of deceased veterans and active duty military personnel. The guarantee covers 60 percent of the loan amount or \$25,000, whichever is lower.

So, if you're ready to buy that dream home, contact your San Francisco VA office.

They'll be able to assist and inform you on the types of loans available and just how the new interest rate may affect you.

Memorial Day services set for Monday

Memorial Day services will be held on **Monday at 10:15 a.m.** at the **San Francisco National Cemetery** on post.

The services will feature a parade from the main post parade field to the Cenotaph at the cemetery. A wreath will be laid at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The Sixth Army Band will present a short concert followed by a number of speeches and readings appropriate for the occasion including Lincoln's Gettysburg address.

The firing of rifle volleys and the sounding of taps will also be included in the ceremony which

will conclude with the firing of a 21 gun salute.

The Mayor's Committee for the Proper Observation of Memorial Day is sponsoring the ceremonies and the general public is invited to attend.

This is the only ceremony scheduled for the post.

Sports

Lapins, Stojic take top honors in tennis tourney

The 1980 post tennis tournament's open and senior vets division action was completed over the weekend, the LAMC's **Boris Stojic** winning the senior vets division and LAMC's **Nick Lapins** winning the open division.

In the semi-finals match, senior vets division, LAMC's **Rudi Ansbacher** easily defeated LAMC's **Bill Heydorn** 6-1, 6-1 in order to advance against LAMC's Boris Stojic in the finals.

The finals match, a 2-1/2 hour thriller, saw Stojic perform flawlessly in the first set, moving

Ansbacher all over the court with well placed shots.

The second set, however, was a reversal of the first. Stojic's concentration was broken by Ansbacher's strong comeback, retrieving and returning everything in sight, which resulted in a 6-7 loss for Stojic that ended with a nine-point tie-breaker.

In the third and final set, each player fought down to the wire for each point, but unforced errors in the last few games by Ansbacher resulted in his defeat 6-4.

In the semi-finals match, open division,

LAMC's **James Stearns** fought off LAMC's **Richard Karsh** 6-4, 6-2 to earn the chance to face finalist Lapins.

In the finals match, Lapins lacking concentration, survives numerous unforced errors to win 6-4, 7-6. Throughout the contest, Lapins had difficulty in figuring out Stearns, who relied heavily on lobs, off-pace returns and "moon balls" to keep the champ off balance. It wasn't until the second set, under pressure and behind 1-4, that Lapins finally put his game together, forcing Stearns into a nine-point tie-breaker and eventually winning 7-6.

All-Army track team runs well in Modesto Relay

The All-Army Track and Field Team, gradually reaching their peak for the Interservice Championship, recorded an outstanding performance including many personal records at the prestigious Modesto Relays held last weekend.

In the running events at the Modesto Relays, Army personnel placed in the following events:

110 High Hurdles (Open Division)—First place, Colin Williams, 13.97 (qualifies for National Championships).

400 Meters Intermediate Hurdles—Third place, Wendell Angel, 50.81 (qualifies for Nationals and a personal best.)

400 Meters Relay—First in the heat, 40.34

800 Meters—First in his heat, Phillip Rolle, 1:48.1 (World Class time, qualifies for Nationals, personal best).

Two Mile Walk—First place, Joe Berendt, 14:05.2. (This is the third straight year that he has won this race).

5000 Meter Run—Johnny Englehardt, 14:55, personal best.

High Jump—Fifth place, Jim Barrineau, 7-2½ (World Class jumper, lost out on higher placing in fewer misses—second, third, and fourth place all same height).

Triple Jump—William Loyd, 53-2 (qualifies for Nationals and a personal best).

Undefeated USAG keeps rolling along in softball

Containing the big bats of the **FBI**, the **864th Engineers**, pulled one of the biggest upsets of the young season.

Trailing 8-4 in the bottom of the sixth inning, the race horses of the 864th scored seven runs to hand the defending champions their first defeat of the season.

The **Coast Guard Men of Yerba Buena** scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to tie the score only to go down in defeat as the **Doctors of LAMC**, came out slugging to pound out three runs in the top of the eighth inning and overcome the Coast Guard 12-9.

Exploding for seven runs in the first inning, with the big blow coming off the bat of **Terry Loken**, **USAG** defeated the military policemen, of the **170th MP Co.**, 15-12. The MP's nearly pulled the game out of the bag as they scored five runs in the last inning on six hits.

The Coast Guard men, coming back after a day's rest, spotted **LAMC Admin.** seven runs in the first inning and then banged out 17 hits for a 13-12 win.

Scoring three runs in the third and a single run in the fourth inning, then playing errorless ball the final two innings, **USAG** managed to

beat the **864th** 4-3 to remain undefeated in the league.

Other game results for last week are as follows:

864th Engineers	7	Four Seasons	6
Attorneys	12	SJA	2
666th RADAR	4	Sixth Army	0
Doctors	5	Service Station	2
51st Engrs.	14	Four Seasons	4
Attorneys	9	USACC	2
Sixth Army	10	163rd MP Co.	7
LAMC, Admin.	5	Service Station	2
LAMC No. 2	10	864th Engineers	5

Bats thunder

Led by **James Poole's** and **Burt Fabretti's** solo blasts and **Terry Loken's** three-for-three base hits, "the Men of Presidio," dumped **Treasure Island** 13-5 in the first game of a doubleheader on Armed Forces Day at the Presidio.

The Navy men scored all of their five runs in the first inning then were held scoreless as Presidio's tenacious defense played faultless ball the rest of the game.

In the second game, the lead changed hands five times, but timely hitting and outstanding defensive plays were Presidio's margin of victory as they managed to hand on to a 7-6 victory, thanks to a game-ending circus catch by left fielder and coach Loken.

DYA season open

The Presidio baseball program got underway with opening day ceremonies last week as Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., threw out the first ball to officially start the season.

In games played last week for the minor league, the **Seals** beat the **Totems** 10 to 4. The **Oaks** defeated the **Solons** 20 to 4. The **Padres** beat the **Stars** 16-14. The **Oakland** team beat the **Totems** 17 to 8 and the **Seals** beat the **Oaks** 5 to 4.

In the major leagues the **Presidio Astros** beat the **Presidio Phils** 12 to 8. Mark Russo hit a grand slam for the Phils. Bobby Agee and Robby Newton had 2 hits each for the Astros.



Isn't someone out of uniform?

Members of the **Old Guard Continental Colors** talk with **San Francisco Giants'** pitcher, **Vida Blue**, prior to their presenting the colors at the **Giants vs. St. Louis** game last Friday. The members of the **3rd Infantry** were in San

Francisco to participate in the **Presidio's Armed Forces Day** pageant. Following their performance in the pre-game ceremonies, the team enjoyed the game compliments of the **Giants**. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Presidio News Notes

School registration set

Registration is currently underway for all military dependent children not now enrolled in the San Francisco Unified School District.

Registration ends June 20.

Registration will be conducted at the school to which the child is assigned according to residence address.

Children born on or before Dec. 2, 1975 can register for kindergarten and those born on or before Dec. 2, 1974 may enroll for first grade.

Information on the assigned school can be obtained by calling 561-5057 or 5155, or visiting the Army Community Service Center.

Fiesta at O'Club

The Presidio Officers' Club will host a Mexican Fiesta as part of their **Membership Appreciation Night** on May 28.

Strolling troubadours, a special Mexican meal and free wine tasting will be featured. Reservations must be made by May 26 at 561-4260.

Chess tourney open

The Recreation Center will sponsor a Chess Tournament June 7 at 9 a.m. in the Community Center, building 1299.

The tournament will be conducted by an accomplished chessmaster. Finalists will be eligible for consideration in the All Army/All Services Chess Tournaments to be held in Washington, D. C. during August and September. Interested parties are urged to sign up early for this important event. Interested active duty personnel are urged to sign up early.

A new class in calligraphy will start June 16 at 7 p.m. Cost will be \$15 for four weeks of classes.

The instructor will be Mr. Selwyn Jones. His credentials include instructor at DeYoung Museum Fine Arts Center for 10 years and he has studied in Colorado, California and Europe.

Classes will be held in the Community Center, building 1299.

Sign up early as class size is limited and is open to all Presidio personnel with priority given to active duty.

Marine World/Africa USA is offering a special discount good only until June 8.

Admission and use of all of the park's activities will be \$5.50 for adults, reduced from \$7.95, and for children 5-12, \$3.00 reduced from \$4.95. These discounts may be purchased by all military, dependents, DA civilians, retired and reserve personnel.

Boss' Night tonight

Tonight is **Boss's Night** at the Presidio NCO Club from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tomorrow the group "**Rights of Man**" will be featured during the **All-Night Disco** from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Courses planned

Columbia College, which has campuses at Treasure Island, Oakland Army Base, Hamilton AFB, and at the Coast Guard Training Center in on Monday, **Penology** on Tuesday, **History and tecture** on Wednesday. The **Effective Executive**, an upper-level business course, is scheduled for Thursday at **Petaluma**.

Additional information about Columbia can be obtained from Larry Blades or Margaret Kirkpatrick at 397-5613. Active duty personnel should check with the Army Education Centers at Fort Scott and LAMC at 561-4445, or 561-4030.

Offerings at **Treasure Island** during the upcoming session are **Marketing Management** on Monday **Penology** on Tuesday, **History and System of Psychology** on Wednesday, and **English Composition I** on Thursday.

Scheduled for the Columbia College campus at

Oakland Army Base are **Abnormal Psychology** on Monday, **Personnel Management** on Tuesday, and **Business Communications** on Wednesday.

Columbia courses at Hamilton AFB will be **Accounting II** on Monday and **Consumer Protection** on Wednesday. the **Effective Executive**, an upper-level business course, is scheduled for Thursday at **Petaluma**.

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Craft classes set

The Presidio Craft Shop will offer the following classes during the month of June:

Beginning Photography starting June 5 held on Mondays; **Intermediate Woodworking**, starts June 6, and held Monday and Friday; **Beginners Stained Glass**, starts June 20 and held each Friday.

Active duty military are given priority, however, others are encouraged to sign-up on a space available basis.

For more information call 561-4497.



Old soldiers never die

This gentleman seems to be reflecting back on his days in the service during World War I. The picture, taken during last year's Memorial Day service, has earned the honor

of Photo of the Week for Sp5 Ken Juber. If you'd like to see your photo here, bring it by our newsroom in building 37 room 219.

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Dependent wife murdered

by Jon Chelgren

A 27-year-old Presidio woman was found stabbed to death at her quarters at 1575-E Pershing Drive last Friday morning as a result of multiple stab wounds across her neck and chest.

The dead woman, Cynthia Glover, was the wife of SSgt. Preston Glover, operations sergeant for the Presidio Provost Marshall's office. She had worked as a secretary for the Director of Reserve Component Support on post.

Mrs. Glover's body was discovered after her

husband called the MP desk at 6 a.m., Friday requesting that emergency medical technicians be dispatched to his quarters.

Paramedics from Letterman Army Medical Center rushed to the scene and pronounced the woman dead at 6:30 a.m.

No exact time of death has been determined. A spokesman for the San Francisco County Medical Examiner said Tuesday that final results of an autopsy was not expected for several weeks.

Meanwhile, agents from the San Francisco

field office for the U. S. Army Criminal Investigation Command and the FBI are continuing their investigation in the case.

A CID spokesman, Capt. Richard Engel, confirmed Tuesday that there are several unidentified persons as suspects in the case. He refused to speculate when an arrest would be made.

Engel further stated that his agents were unable to find any signs of forced entry into the home nor were there any reports by neighbors of unusual sounds coming from the house.

Economy, lifestyle are cause

Burglaries on the rise here again

Today's economy and lifestyle are contributing factors to a growing number of home burglaries throughout the country and even on the Presidio, according to post military police.

"Although we have had only a few cases of burglaries in the home, the number of garage and vehicle thefts is on the rise," states 2nd Lt. Kevin Burr of the Military Police Investigation office.

To help make people aware of what to do to help prevent such thefts, the post is participating in Burglary Prevention Month during June, according to Lt. Col. Donald Gallagher, provost marshal.

Gallagher has issued a proclamation asking all Presidians to assist the military police in fighting these crimes, especially as warm weather approaches.

"Practicing the fundamental techniques of home protection can greatly reduce the chances of a burglary occurring in your home," Gallagher explains. "Most people don't intentionally invite intruders to ransack their homes, but they might as well hang up a sign saying 'No one's home, burglars welcome'.

"A stroll around your neighborhood any day will tell you at a glance who's away," Gallagher continued. Porches will be cluttered with newspapers, an unkept lawn, an empty garbage with the door open or a bulging mailbox. All of these are tip-offs that will broadcast 'No one's home' to anyone canvassing the neighborhood.

"In the evening, most empty homes can be spotted too—just look for the dark houses. It's a known fact, light is one of the best deterrents to crime, yet most people go out for an evening and leave their homes completely dark. Or, they'll go off for a weekend or vacation and leave the same light burning day and night. No light at all, or a light burning continuously, is a good giveaway that 'No one is home'.

A simple, but effective means of having lighting in your home every evening, is by connecting an automatic timing device to one or two lamps. Such a timer will turn a lamp "on" early in the evening, then turn it "off" several hours later. With lights turning on and off during the evening hours it will give the appearance someone is home and may avert a possible burglary attempt.

Gallagher also suggests that you:

- Close and lock all doors, including the porch and garage. Use pin-tumbler cylinder locks on outside entrances and safety latches on the windows.
- Protect all doors and windows with an inexpensive, portable burglary alarm which sounds whenever someone attempts to break in.
- Never leave valuables lying around, keep them locked up.
- Notify the Military Police when you'll be leaving and how long you expect to be away.
- Be sure to discontinue the newspaper or

arrange to have it sent to your vacation address. Have a neighbor, or your post office, hold all mail until you return.

- Leave your shades and blinds as you normally do, closed blinds keep the sun out, but also

make an effective screen for the burglar.

There is no such thing as a 'burglar proof' home," Gallagher concluded, "but following the suggestions listed above will help to protect your home whenever you're away."



Rolling out the welcome mat

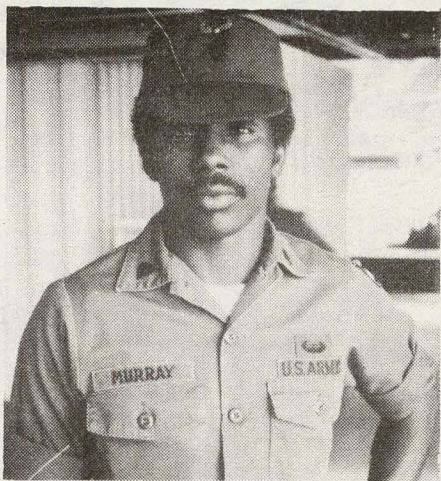
This stack of newspapers is as good as a welcome sign as any burglar could expect to enter your home. If you are going to be away

stop the delivery of your newspapers. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Ramblin' Sam

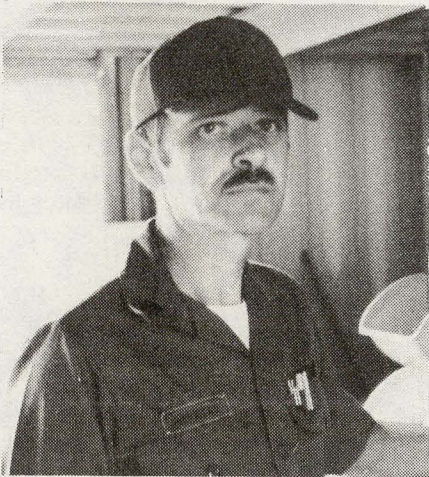
Do you have enough training to do your job?

Sp5 Michael Murray, Finance—"Yes, but I've got five MOS's. . . In my duty MOS (for finance), I'm trained."



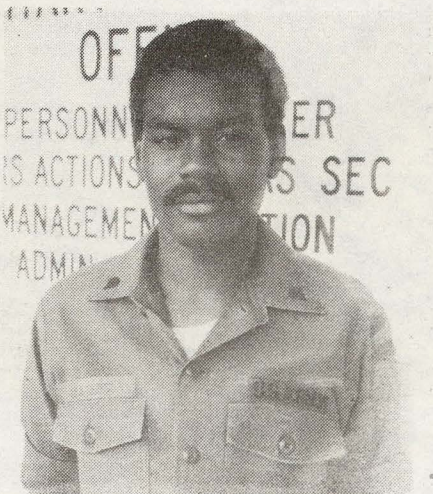
MSgt Eddie Jones, IX Readiness Region—"I'm adequately trained for my job. I have been to all the military schools I can go to other than the Sergeant Major's Academy, so I should be capable of doing my job now."

Sp5 Stephanie Hart, COMPACT—"They taught me enough in school but I've been in for five years and things change. . . You have to keep updating it."



Sp6 Robert L. McMurray, JAG—"For the last three years I've been working as a lawyer's aide so the transition now to criminal law is all new to me. I can't say right now if I've been properly trained or not because I'm in a transition period."

Sp4 Bernard C. Waiters Jr., COMPACT—"As far as AIT goes. . . the schooling was alright, except when you got out it was different. They taught you. . . what regulations to use, but when you got out it was a different deal altogether."



Reader Opinion

Leadership vs age

by Mike Christy

Several years ago, the right to vote was reserved for those 21 years of age, or older. The rationale was, maturity comes with age. Recognizing how illogical such rationale was, the age of confidence for voting maturity was set at 18 years of age.

This was a reasonable move toward recognizing youth as a potent force in decision making. But there is evidence that the military of today is not totally convinced of this yet. Proof can be found in time in grade policies.

Additional proof is found in such hackneyed phrases as "leadership is learned and not a product at birth" or "the ability to lead men in combat is a process of time."

Even Hollywood gives the impression that military leaders must be older, more mature types. It is considered poor type-casting if the actor playing a colonel isn't grey and fortyish.

The point to be made is this: We are conditioned into believing that age is a primary prerequisite to maturity. Granted, the experience and knowledge gained over an extended period of time does build maturity. But there are those who have served well in responsible positions without having too many years behind them.

For many of these, the position itself forced accelerated maturity.

This is indeed true in yesterday's military. Take for instance, the young commanders of World War II. One squadron commander of the Army Air Corps was a colonel at age 22. Almost all ground commanders from regiment on down were in their late 20s. History itself has recorded the success of these youths.

Yet World War II's youthful commanders do not compare to the youngsters of the Civil War—sometimes called the Boys' War.

Of course, some leading commanders were elderly when war came, notably the Federal Commander-in-Chief, Winfield Scott, who was 75 and Robert E. Lee, the Confederate commander, who was 54. But most

of the war's famous general officers in the field were young.

Youngest among the war's generals was 17 year old Maj. Gen. Galusha Pennypacker, USA, who was too young to vote until the war's end. The youngest Confederate general was a 20 year old North Carolina cavalryman named Brig. Gen. William P. Roberts.

George A. Custer, USA, was a cavalry brigadier general at age 23, and Robert E. Lee's son, Rooney Lee, was a 24 year old general. The cavalrymen Joe Wheeler, CSA (Confederate States of America) and Wesley Merritt, USA were 27 year old generals.

Godfrey Weitzel, USA, the corps commander who ruled fallen Richmond, was 28 years old as was the famous Rebel cavalryman J. E. B. Stuart.

The famed Philip Sheridan, USA, and John B. Hood, CSA, were 30 years old while George McClellan, once commander of the entire Union Army was 35. Even "Stonewall" Jackson was a youthful 37. U. S. Grant was 39.

Other youthful figures came to fame in the war. Arthur MacArthur, who failed to get into a crowded West Point in 1861, wangled a place as adjutant of the 24th Wisconsin Unit at the age of 17, and a year later was a colonel. He retired in 1909 as the last lieutenant general of his era. He was the father of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Nelson A. Miles established his reputation as a fighting young officer early in the war. He was kidnapped from his company by men of a New York regiment and made their colonel. When he was 26, he became a general and served 38 more years in the Army retiring as a lieutenant general.

Aside from the entertaining and informative nature of the above anecdotes, what does such marvelous miscellany prove? This could prove that youth can be counted on when placed in positions of responsibility, to a much greater extent than many supervisors currently realize.

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Saturday gas sales resumed

The Presidio gas station resumed Saturday sales last weekend, but may be forced to stop the sales again in the future.

According to Ms. Sandy Bourne, Presidio Exchange manager, reopening the station on Saturday was made possible after an increase in the station's monthly gasoline allocation.

"Normally we would receive 75 percent of our month usage during 1978, plus an additional 3.5 percent for increase usage. This time, however, we got an additional five percent," Bourne explained.

Bourne was uncertain as to how long the station would receive the additional allocation saying everything was based on a "month-to-month" basis.

"AAFES has been trying for some time to get the allocation increased," Bourne states, "but to date, they have been unsuccessful."

"It is important to remember that the whole idea behind the allocation system is to help us save gasoline," Bourne reminds drivers.

Saturday sales were curtailed in mid-April because drivers were purchasing gasoline on post and using up the station's allocation before the end of the month.

Soldiers in uniform can get a break from the sometimes long lines at the main station by using the "military in uniform" line at the smaller station. The line is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Hurry up and wait

An increase in the gasoline allocation at the Presidio main station may shorten the lines which have been seen since mid-April. But the situation may return if the allocation

returns to its former level of 78.5 percent of the month's usage. This month the station received 83.5 percent.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Notes

MOS open to E-5s

Interested Presidio E5s and below may qualify to be biological sciences assistants (MOS O1H) with the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC).

Soldiers **must have a college degree** in the biological sciences to be eligible.

A biological sciences assistant helps in designing, conducting and evaluating experiments. They may work with lasers, test animals, operate a computer or help in surgery.

Advanced individual training for this MOS is not available. Individuals will learn their jobs through on-the-job-training (OJT).

Interested soldiers should talk with their unit reenlistment NCO's about changing to, or reuping for, MOS O1H.

No test tubes

CHAMPUS will not pay for the cost of getting pregnant through the "test tube" baby program, according to Bill Reardon LAMC CHAMPUS advisor.

The question of whether CHAMPUS would cover this program arose when several military families asked about using benefits to pay the cost of getting pregnant.

According to a CHAMPUS official, a family's decision to use the "test tube" baby program is a personal one and costs of the attempt must be paid by the individual.

However, after a CHAMPUS beneficiary or sponsor becomes pregnant through the "test tube" baby program, she would qualify for regular CHAMPUS benefits.

Courses planned

The largest drop ever in veterans administration home loan interest rates happened recently—from 13 percent to 11.5 percent, according to VA officials.

The rate had previously dropped to 13 percent in April, from a record high home loan interest rate of 14 percent.

Michigan viet vets

Bonus deadline near

Michigan residents interested in applying for their Vietnam era veterans bonus better hurry. The deadline for all applications is June 30, 1980.

Eligible applicants are entitled to \$15 for each month of service during the period January 1961 through August 1973 up to a maximum of \$450. Those veterans who received the Vietnam Service Medal or Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal during that period are entitled to a \$600 cash bonus. Veterans need not have served in Vietnam to be eligible. Active service anywhere in the world qualifies.

Presidio soldiers can determine if they are eligible by checking the following requirements.

- Veterans must have at least 190 days of active duty between Jan. 1, 1961 and Sept. 1, 1973.

- Must have been a Michigan resident for at least six months immediately prior to entry into active duty or Michigan residency, while on active duty, for at least six months immediately prior to Jan. 1, 1961.

- Must have honorable service.
- Next-of-kin are also eligible to receive the bonus if the veteran is deceased or listed in missing-in-action.

- Since the program began in 1975, there have been several changes expanding eligibility:

- If a veteran was previously denied a bonus because of a bad discharge, but has since had the discharge upgraded, he can reapply.

- Reservists may now count active duty for training time toward the 190 day minimum active duty requirement.

- Veterans who, while on active duty, established residency in Michigan at least six months before Jan. 1, 1961 are now eligible.

Application packets may be obtained by writing the Vietnam Bonus Section, Department of Military Affairs, 2500 South Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48913, or call (517) 373-7320 for more information.

The completed applications must be received by that office not later than close of business on June 30, 1980.

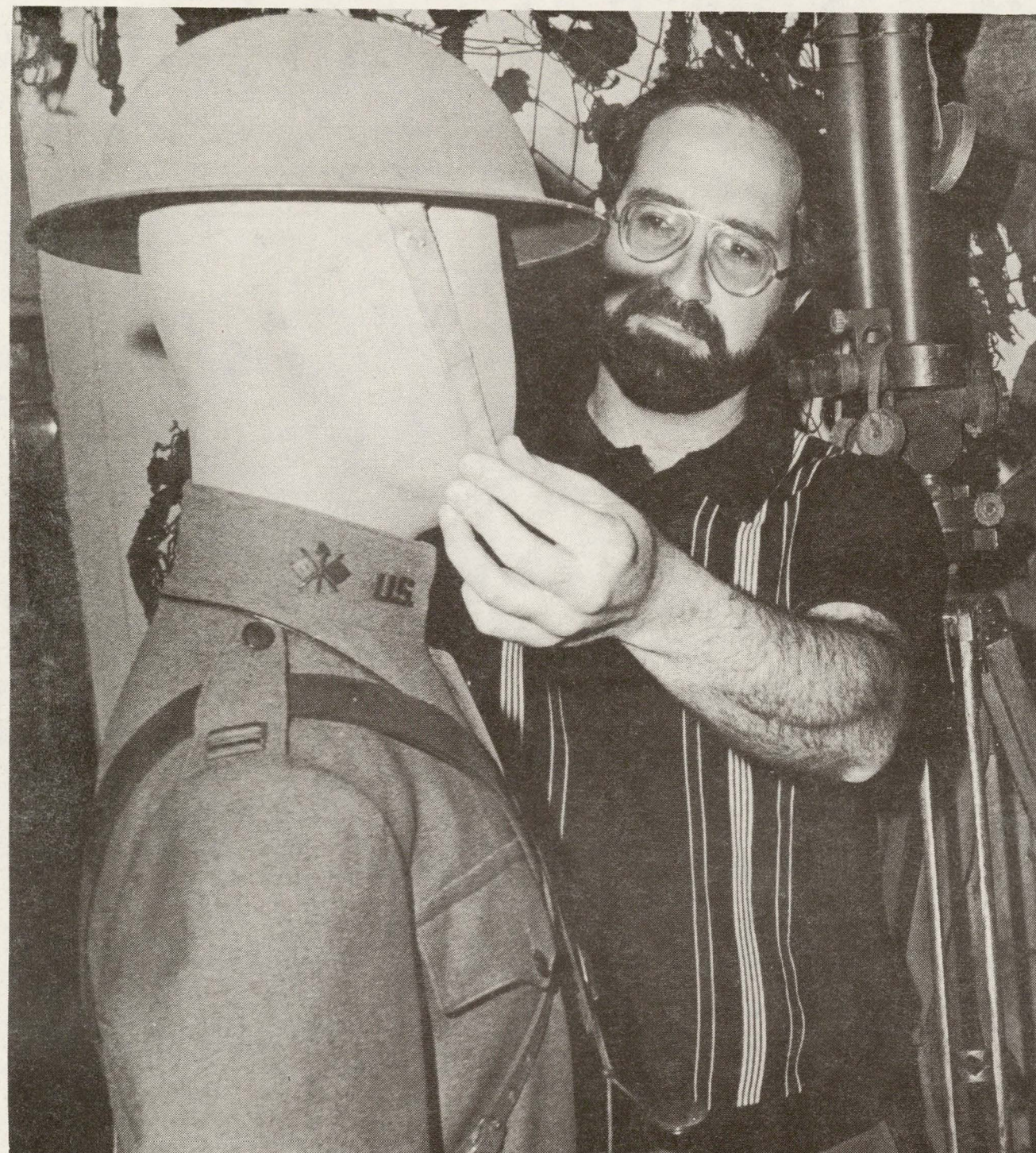
Bakarich says farewell

Reflecting on the "excitement, challenge and opportunity" which initially attracted him to the Army 34 years ago, Brig. Gen. Michael N. Bakarich ended his military career by saying he would "do it all over again," during a special retirement ceremony conducted in his honor at post field last Friday.

Although Bakarich referred to his career as a "wonderful experience," he expressed "deep concern" over the Army's low personnel strength. "Last year," he said, "the Army was 16,000 short... a full division, and time is running out." He credited Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall's leadership in Sixth Army for improving strength in both the Army Reserve and National Guard. "But even with this progress," he said, "the Army Reserve is at 73 percent strength and the National Guard is at 80 percent." "This is a very dangerous world we live in and we must have a credible force," he warned.

Despite his concern over an Army too small, Bakarich remains confident. He said of the Army that "no other occupation offers the feeling of comradeship and esprit" and promised to join civic leaders and other retired officers in urging the American public to support the Army with "not only tax dollars, but with their sons."

Bakarich concluded his remarks by thanking the Sixth Army staff, referring to them as "a dedicated bunch of professionals." He thanked the men and women of the Presidio for "a fine formation," and the Sixth Army Band, "You've never sounded better." "This is a great way to leave the service," he said, and thanked his many friends in the San Francisco Bay Area for their support. He concluded his retirement remarks by publicly acknowledging his family, "We moved 26 times... the understatement."



Eric Saul of the Presidio Museum adjusts the helmet of a World War I soldier in one of the museum's "living dioramas" which depicts a trench scene from the war. Plans are under-

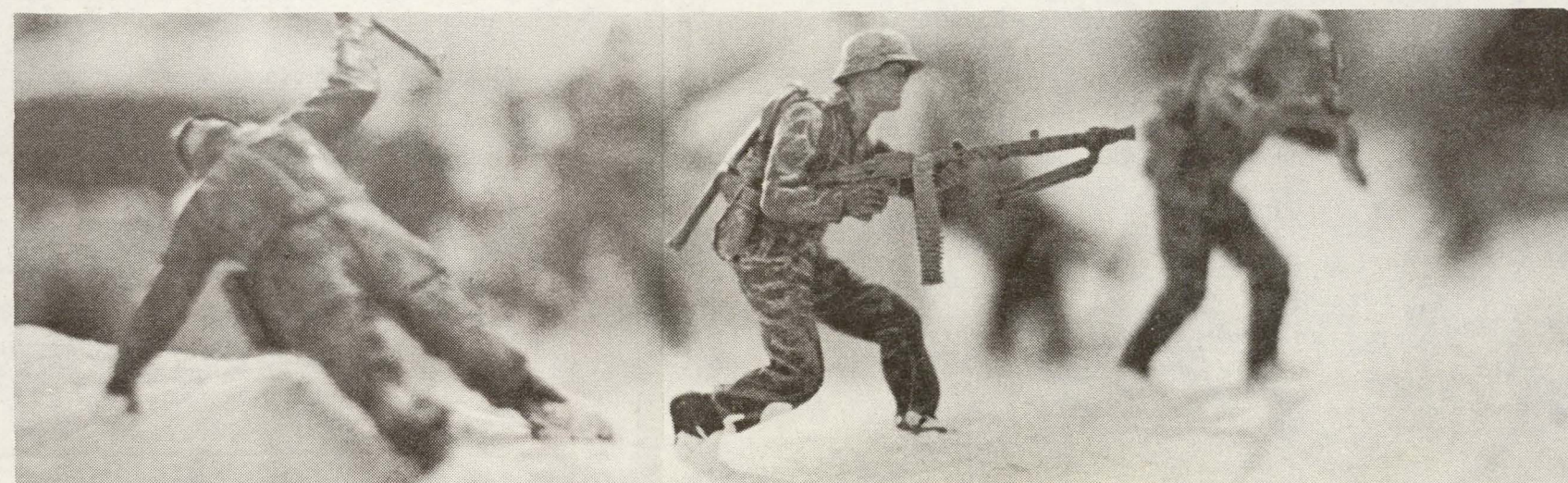
way to build additional dioramas showing both U.S. and German command posts during World War II. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)



This scene is a part of the diorama which shows Nob Hill during the San Francisco earthquake of 1906. The

damage from the quake, which caused fire and destruction in large parts of the city, was contained thanks to

soldiers from the Presidio who dynamited blocks of buildings to keep the fire from spreading.



A German soldier advances on an American position in a model of the Battle of the Bulge. The model, which

museum director Eric Saul hopes to purchase, is the work of students from Judson High School in Scottsdale,

Ariz. Saul regularly accepts high-quality models for display at the museum. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Take a trip into the past

Museum is a time machine

by Tom Tiernan

When you step through the doors of the Presidio Army Museum, it's like walking into a time machine.

Quickly you find yourself looking at the post as it was in 1806. You are surrounded by the uniforms and weapons of the post's early days and the soldiers who lived here.

As you continue your tour, you find yourself viewing Nob Hill as the fire from the 1906 earthquake races towards the mansion on the hill. You can even wander into Maj. Gen. Fredrick Funston's command post at Fort Mason from where he and the mayor restored order to the city following the disaster.

You can enjoy the splendor of the 1915 World's Fair, and even find yourself in a trench on a World War I battlefield. You can share in the glory of the Black Soldiers and relive the Battle of the Bulge.

If you had visited the museum just seven years ago, you would have found only a drug and alcohol treatment center, according to museum curator, Eric Saul.

The building housing the museum was built in 1863 as a hospital. Its construction came about because the federal government wanted the Presidio upgraded for possible use in the event of an attack on the city by the British or by Confederate Forces.

"The Presidio was in terrible shape in the early 1860's," comments Saul. "Some of the adobe buildings erected by the Spanish and Mexicans were still standing.

"This building was built as part of the modernization effort. San Francisco was the scene of lots of trouble and the Union wanted to place a bastion of Unionism in the city to protect it from attack by the British as well as the Confederacy," he continued.

In the years since 1863, the building has been used primarily as a medical facility. Although it was modernized and used as an induction center during World War II.

In July 1973, Saul and fellow history buffs, John Langlier and Ed Green took control of the building which had only a desk, a telephone and an empty filing cabinet to begin their "labor of love."

Operating with a budget of only \$2,500 the three set out on the task of restoring the building's interior to its original floor plan.

The restoration took months of extremely hard work. Walls had to be removed, new doors closed and old ones opened, fire places uncovered and layers of paint had to be removed.

"We were able to get the original floor plan from the National Archives, but they didn't know what color the walls had been. To determine this, we had to carefully remove 40 layers of paint," Saul explained.

Once the trio determined the color of the walls, they turned their attention to the floors. After layers upon layers of tile, the original pinewood floors were refinished and restored to their original look.

With the restoration out of the way, the group attempted to put together a display. With limited funds and the cost of restoration, the task might

have been impossible if not for a few miracles.

"The DeYoung Museum loaned us some of their old and surplus museum cases," Saul points out. "Plus we had been receiving donations almost from the day we moved into the building. The phone began ringing and it hasn't stopped since."

Using the donated items, some of Saul's private collection, and some of the items found in the building, the first Presidio Army Museum display opened in March 1974 covering a total of 1,000 square feet.

Although their budget has increased to only \$10,000, the museum has over 5,000 articles in its collection which are worth many times more than the Army has invested into the activity.

Not only has the size of the collection grown, so has the museum from its initial 1,000 square feet of displays to its present 14,000. It is the second largest museum in the Army, second only to West Point.

"If our growth continues at the present rate, I see no problem with our taking the West Point museum," comments Saul.

In deed, the museum does continue to grow and has recently set new records with the opening of special displays, on the World War I telephone operations, Black soldiers and the Battle of the Bulge.

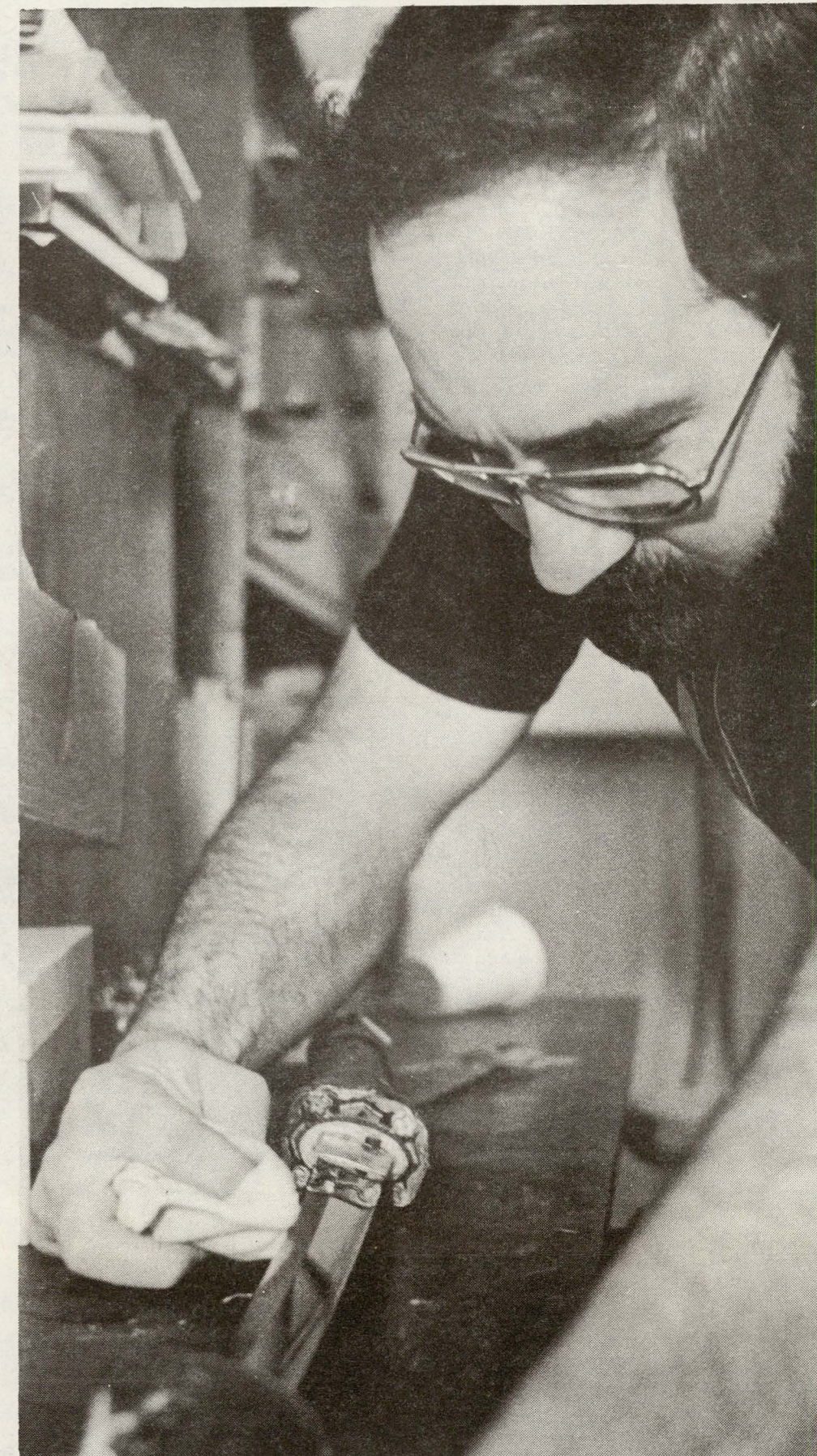
The future for the Presidio Army Museum is "only limited by our imagination and the space," says Saul.

While space may be a problem, imagination is not.



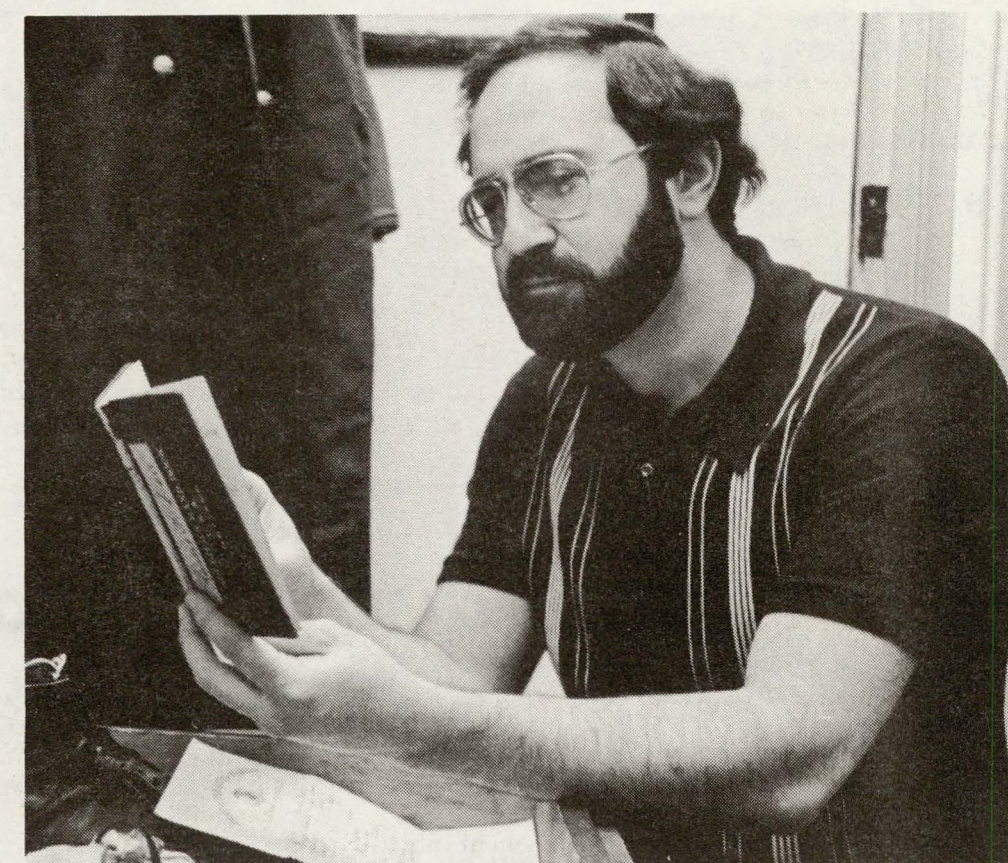
An exhibit of a dressed-out cavalry soldier is but one of several on display at the museum. This display is com-

plete with saddle and all the other gear a cav soldier was issued. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)



Eric Saul works over the surrender sword of Japanese Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita. The sword, a recent acquisition by the museum, was handed over by

Yamashita the "Tiger of Burma," to Gen. Douglas MacArthur when the U.S. recaptured the Philippines. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)



Eric Saul looks over a foot locker containing belongings from Spanish-American War era soldiers. Many of the items were found in the museum's attic and

range from an old soldier's manual to love letters. The belongings, Saul says gives a unique picture of a soldier's personal life. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Time to spare

The human-powered airplane that made aviation history by crossing the English Channel, the **Grossamer Albatross**, is on display through **June 16 at the Exploratorium**. The exhibition is open for viewing Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

The **School of Creative Arts** at San Francisco State University has announced its **1980 summer stock program**. Four productions are to be presented including, **Arsenic and Old Lace**, June 25-29, **Inherit the Wind**, July 2-6, **How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying**, July 9-13 and **Carnival**, July 23-27.

The school is offering a special season subscription plan for the summer program which costs \$12, a savings of \$5 on the price of individually purchased tickets. It also entitles subscribers to take advantage of other "creative arts events" at the school. For more information the box office at 469-2467.

The **San Francisco Zoo** is sponsoring five **two-week day camps for youngsters** between the ages of seven and 12 beginning **June 23**. Because of limited enrollment, interested parents are advised to register their child early. For additional information or enrollment, contact the zoo's education office at 564-1120.

The Presidio Player's production of the Broadway musical, **Mame**, opens a 15 performance run **June 6 at the Presidio Playhouse**. The show runs Fridays and Saturdays beginning at 7 p.m., and Sundays at 7 p.m. through June 29. Additional performances are set for Thursdays, June 19 and 26 and Wednesday, June 25 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50. Military personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists get a \$1 discount when they present a valid ID card.

The San Francisco Park and Recreation Department is sponsoring the **Third Annual Senior Picnic and Fair June 5** at the Bay View Federal Savings on 19th Ave. and Sloat Blvd. beginning at 10 a.m.

Brooks puts WRRC on top

by Don Norton
Western Region Recruiting Command

SSgt. John Brooks turned the telephone into a kind of Army Recruiting "magic wand" recently to lift the Western Region Recruiting Command to the No. 1 spot in the U. S. Army Recruiting Command (USAREC) retention and reenlistment race.

Brooks has been the command's acting reenlistment NCO and career counselor since late November, 1979, when the previous reenlistment NCO retired from Army service.

At the time Brooks assumed the position, the command's reenlistment percentage rate was 69.2 for careerists and 75.0 for "first-termers." The tall Western Region NCO doubled that rate in route to the top spot.

"As of April 1, we were at 105.0 percent for careerists and 133.3 percent for first-termers," said Brooks.

Brooks cites "lots of hard work on the telephone" as one of the main reasons for the change of pace. He said that calling people up "120 days or so" before they're scheduled to "get out" is the ticket.

"Apparently," Brooks said, "up until this time, no one was bothering to contact those people soon to depart. Or, at least, they were waiting until the last moment to contact them," he said. "If you wait until the last moment, they've pretty much got their minds made up."

"They're looking to their future and have probably decided to get out (of the Army)," the spokesman said. "Then it's too late."

Despite inter-headquarters and district cooperation, however, "the job still requires a great deal of phone work," said Brooks. "It comes to about three hours a day or 60 hours a month."

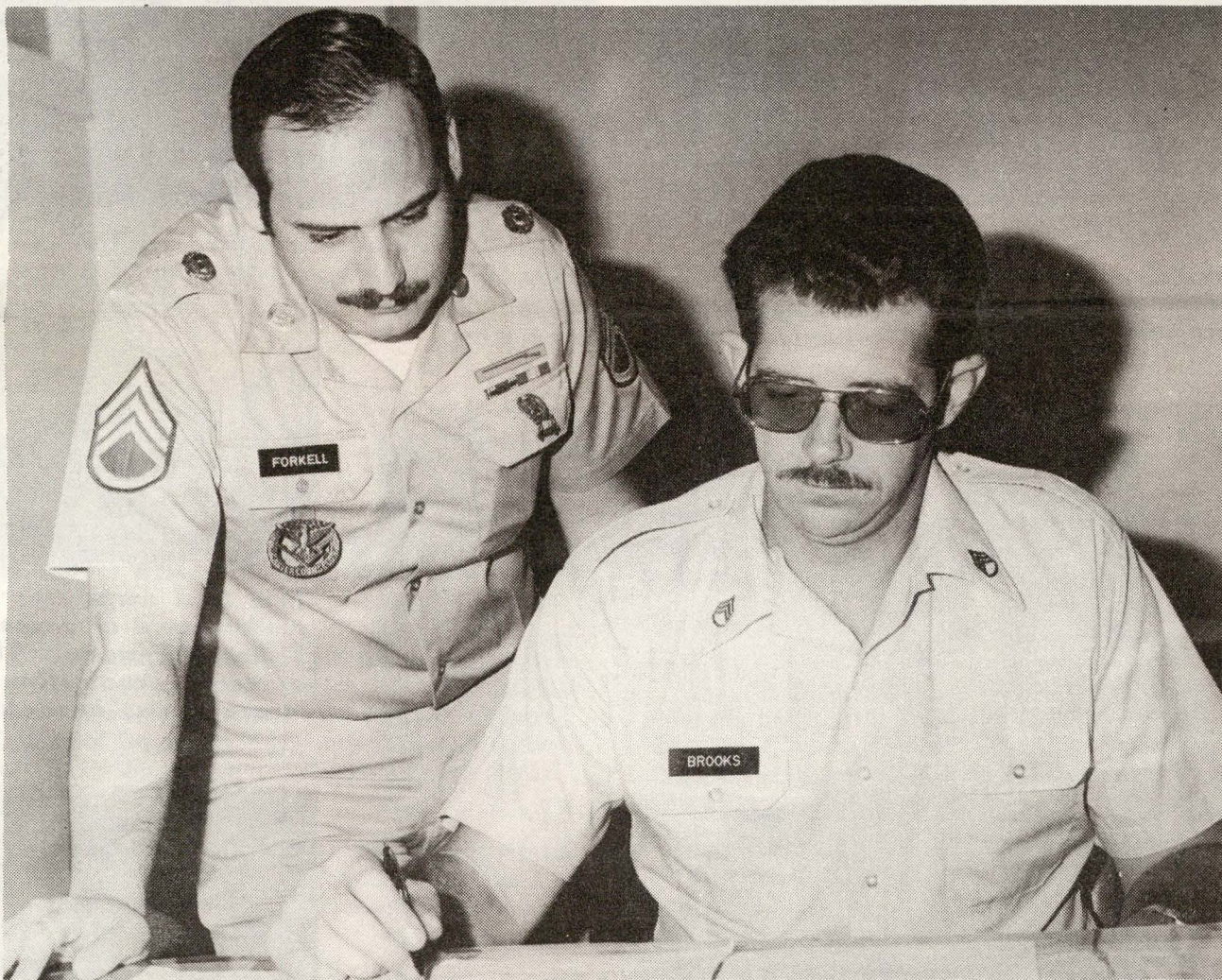
But, he added, that when you consider the telephone to be the command's primary and, in

some cases, only method to promote the reenlistment mission, "it's well worth the time and effort."

The tall, pleasant Washington native has worked with the Western Region Command since 1977 when he was a recruiter with the San Francisco DRC. He transferred to Fort Baker and

region headquarters in August of last year. He also forecasts a glowing future for Western Region as far as the USAREC retention and reenlistment race is concerned.

"About 120 percent of mission," he prognosticates. "That's what I look for as an end of year average for both careerists and first-termers... 120 percent."



On the attack

SSgt. Alan Forkell goes over a list of eligible soldiers for reenlistment with SSgt. John Brooks. Brooks was responsible for Western Region Recruiting Command achieving the

top notch for reenlistment within Recruiting Command. Forkell is the incoming reenlistment NCO.

(Photo by Don Norton)

AER is always there to lend a hand

Did you ever find yourself without a pay check?

If you ever did, you were probably very upset at the prospect of having to wait for the check to come. You were worried about how you could meet your car payment, put food on the table and handle other financial matters.

When these events occur, there's a place you can turn for help, Army Emergency Relief.

Last year thousands of soldiers received assistance from the AER in the form of loans and grants. Hundreds of dependent students are in college thanks to AER scholarships.

AER is supported solely by the money donated by soldiers, and concerned retirees and civilians. It gets no other funds.

The money donated by the post comes back many times over, because of the

generosity of soldiers around the world.

Last year over \$44,000 in loans and grants were made to soldiers on the Presidio. That's many times more than the amount donated by soldiers here.

So when your key person contacts you remember AER is there for you! It needs your support to continue to help the Army "take care of its own."

Sports

City tops PSF

In the DYA Major league baseball action, both the Phils and Astros dropped close games to city teams, 7-6 and 3-2.

The Phils **Mark Russo** kept the team in the game with fine defensive plays. **Bruce Jennings** and **Roko Smiljanic** drove in runs for a 2-0 lead.

The city team pushed across 2 runs in the third inning and made it stand up for the victory.

Joe Untalan and **Galem Lim** pitched a good game for the Astros.

The Mets dropped their second game of the season.

Division A	
Astros	1-1
Phils	0-2
Mets	0-2

Division B	
San Francisco No. 1	2-0
San Francisco No. 2	2-0
San Francisco No. 3	1-1

In Bantam League baseball action, the Seals remained undefeated beating Oakland 21-4. The Padres defeated the Solons 11-6, the Oaks defeated the Totems 16-2 and the Stars picked up their first win defeating the Solons 21-13.

Bantam League Standings	
Seals	3-0
Padres	2-0
Oaks	2-1
Stars	1-1
Oakland	1-1
Totems	0-3
Solons	0-3

Steinbaugh top golfer

The 1980 Commander's Spring Golf Tournament was conducted last Wednesday, on a very cold and windy day. Overall a fine performance was posted by all competitors, but special congratulations are bestowed to Sixth Army's **Jimmy Steinbaugh**, who regardless of the adverse conditions scored, without handicap, a 72 and 73, for an impressive total of 145.

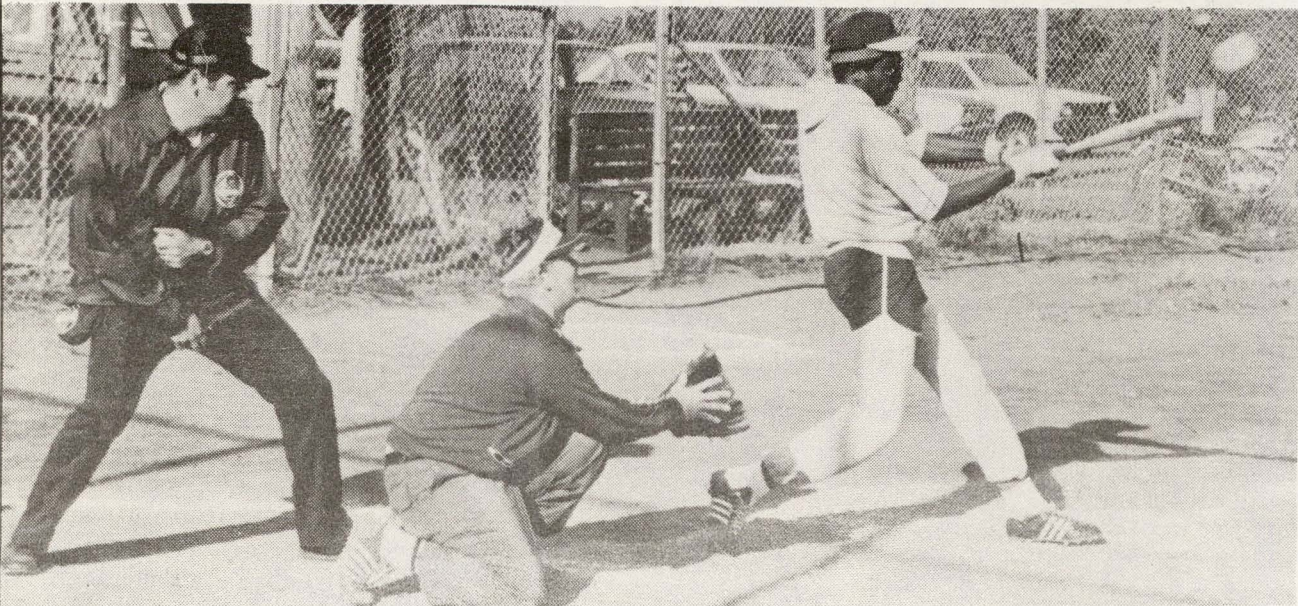
Low Gross		Open-Division	
Jimmy Steinbaugh	145		Sixth Army
Dennis Smercek	171		ARR IX
Low Net		Open-Division	
Robert Neviteboom	128		LAIR
Keith Chapman	138		LAIR
Low Gross		Senior Division	
Fred Glenister	162		864 Engineers
Leroy Cole	164		LAMC
Low Net		Senior Division	
William Holston	135		Sixth Army
Ed Huggins	137		Sixth Army



Championship form

Boris Stojic of LAMC shows his winning form on the way to the Presidio Tennis Championship. The tournament also selected members

of the Presidio team to the FORSCOM tourney. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)



Softball action in full swing at Fort Scott

A member of the 170th MP Co. softball team gets a piece of the ball during action against USACC. The teams are participants in the Presidio softball league. Games are played at the Fort Scott Field. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Presidio News Notes

Class planned

The Red Cross will be conducting a First Aid course on June 10. Call the Red Cross office to sign up to attend this course at 561-2187.

Meyer to speak

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E. C. Meyer will be the guest speaker at the AUSA luncheon June 16 at noon.

Meyer's topic will be "Our Army in the '80s. Persons wishing to attend the luncheon should contact Mr. Bob Joy at 561-2035 for tickets.

School registration set

Registration is currently underway for all military dependent children not now enrolled in the San Francisco Unified School District.

Registration ends June 20.

Registration will be conducted at the school to which the child is assigned according to residence address.

Children born on or before Dec. 2, 1975 can register for kindergarten and those born on or before Dec. 2, 1974 may enroll for first grade.

Information on the assigned school can be obtained by calling 561-5057 or 5155, or visiting the Army Community Service Center.

New FORSCOM CSM

CSM Robert E. Ivey, Sr., has been named the new FORSCOM sergeant major.

A veteran of 23 years service, Ivey is currently stationed at Fort Meade, Md.

No date has been set for Ivey's arrival at FORSCOM headquarters.

Blood drive set

The next LAMC Blood Drive will be conducted June 12 and 13 in Schwartz Theater. Hours on June 12 are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; on June 13, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Looking for youths

If you are between the ages of 15 and 18, looking for an exciting summer, call the Red Cross Volunteer Office at 561-2187 and ask for more information about our Summer Youth Program.

Chess tourney open

Registration is still open for the Presidio Recreation Center's chess tournament June 7. The tourney, open to active duty personnel only, enables finalists to move on to All-Army/All-Services chess competition.

The Rec Center still has discount tickets for Marine World/Africa USA. Good through June 8, the tickets entitle the bearers to admission and full use of the park's activities. The cost for adults is \$5.50, reduced from \$7.95, and for children ages five to 12, \$3, reduced from \$4.95.

The Rec Center is also sponsoring two tours. Tickets are still available for a **June 14 bus tour to the Santa Cruz Beach and Boardwalk** for \$3 as well as **21 June tour of the wine country** for \$10. The wine country tour price includes transportation, lunch, winery tours and a visit to the historic "Rhine House."

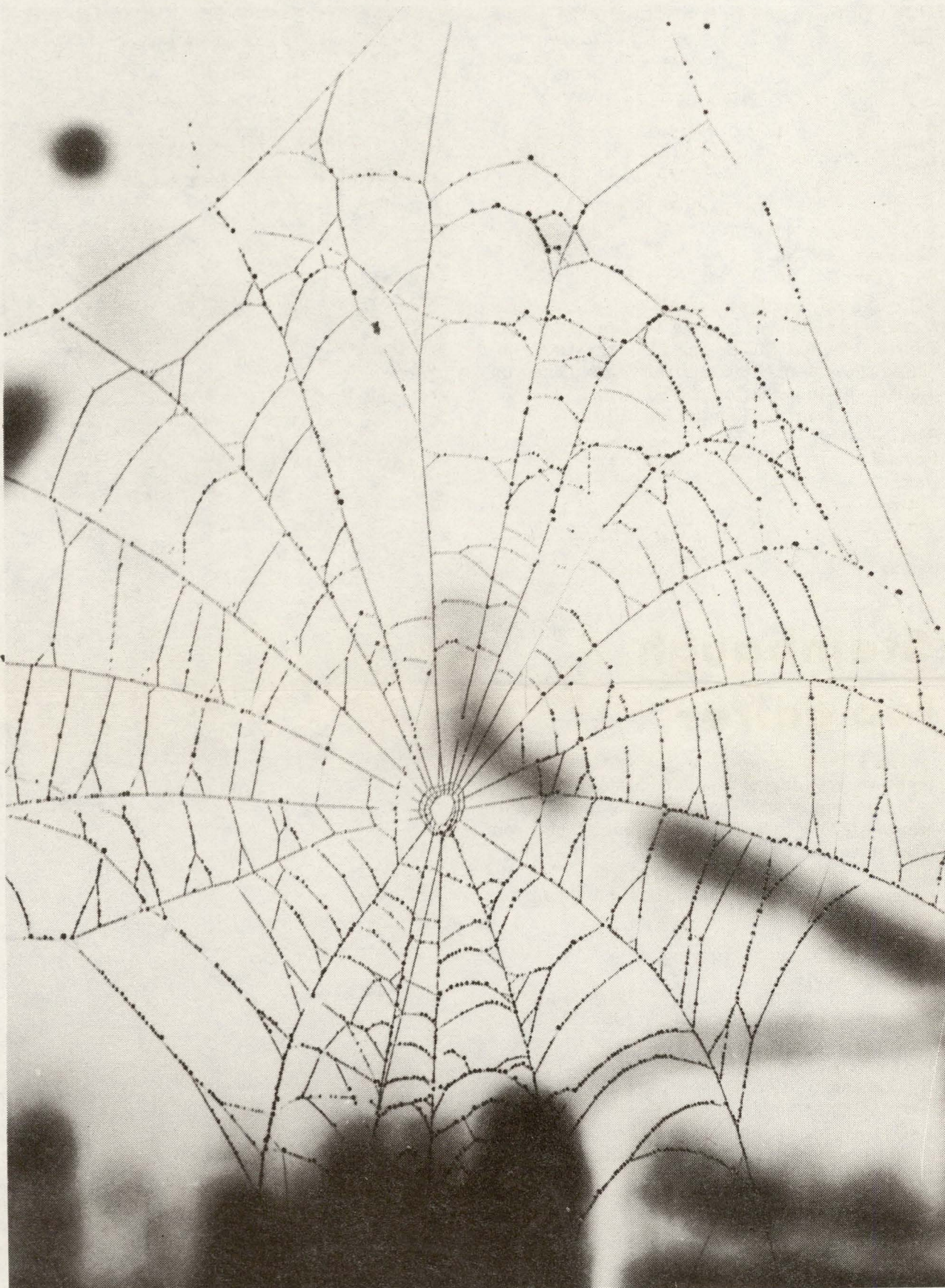
Additional information concerning Rec Center program and activities can be gotten by calling 561-2000 after 2 p.m. Tickets sales and discount coupons are available daily after 4 p.m.

A new **class in calligraphy** will start June 16 at 7 p.m. Cost will be \$15 for four weeks of classes.

The instructor will be Mr. Selwyn Jones. His credentials include instructor at DeYoung Museum Fine Arts Center for 10 years and he has studied in Colorado, California and Europe.

Classes will be held in the Community Center, building 1299.

Sign up early as class size is limited and is open to all Presidio personnel with priority given to active duty.



Charolette's Web

This spider's web shot on a color slide and then reversed on to black and white paper earned Ken Juber the honor of "Photo of the Week." Your photo can appear here. All you

have to do is drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 219 and await the judges' decision. Photos may be reclaimed after publication.

Alterations cut out at Clothing sales

Soldiers accustomed to taking uniform items to the Clothing Sales Store for alterations will be unable to do so after June 13.

According to Mr. Clarence Bell, store manager, the move is necessary because of a shortage of tailors due to retirement. He anticipates the situation could continue for three to six months because of the federal hiring freeze imposed by President Carter.

The types of work affected by the move, includes the sewing on of insignia, officers' alterations, and anything which the individual must pay for out his own pocket, Bell explained.

Uniforms bought or issued in the store which need alterations will still be done free of charge at the facility.

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Benefit package revealed

A station housing allowance that would provide increased pay for soldiers assigned to especially high cost areas in CONUS, is one of a series of benefits being recommended by President Carter and Secretary of Defense Harold Brown.

A "Fair Benefits Package" for the military services was announced by the president May 26 aboard the aircraft carrier Nimitz.

The fair benefits package includes:

- More compensation to service members for costs brought on by reassignment moves
- Increased enlistment and reenlistment

bonus levels, plus bonuses for enlisted personnel with over 10 years service

- Improved sea and flight pay
- Increased basic allowance for subsistence
- Larger payments for TDY costs
- An addition to CHAMPUS of a dental care package for dependents of active duty members.

According to DoD, the president outlined three steps to be taken in getting the fair benefits package through Congress.

First, those parts of the Warner/Nunn Amendment that support the benefits package will be pushed. According to DoD, these proposals would cost about \$85 million for the remainder of FY 80

and range from \$435 to \$700 million in FY 81.

Secondly, programs contained in the FY 81 budget which include increased TDY payments and family separation allowances for junior enlisted personnel will also be pushed. The cost for these programs is expected to be about \$200 million, say officials.

Thirdly, the defense secretary is to develop a legislative plan that provides a dental program through CHAMPUS At a cost of \$110 million in FY 81.

Whether Presidio soldiers will be affected by the new station housing allowance is not known at this time.

Cost jumps 56 percent

Soldiers pay for energy waste

by Tom Tiernan

Rising energy costs have temporarily shelved a project to upgrade the kitchens in some post quarters.

The cost of heating and lighting quarters has risen 56 percent since Oct. 1979, according to Mr. Ed Crane, chief of utilities at Facilities Engineering.

"These costs must be paid for out of the funds provided for housing maintenance," states Mrs. Nellie Bennetto, Family Housing budget analyst.

The project to replace the kitchen sinks and cabinets in 171 Pershing area quarters will cost over \$349 thousand. The increase in utilities will eat up almost \$347 thousand of those funds, points out Bennetto.

The project could be saved if the post receives additional funds from DA or FORSCOM to cover the increased cost. But Congressional action is necessary to provide the money.

Whenever a post is faced with an unexpected expense such as the increased energy costs it may submit a request to its major Army command to receive more money. That request is then forwarded to DA along with others who submit a packaged request to Congress.

If Congress fails to approve the extra funds, then the post must pay for the cost out of its own budget.

The Facilities Engineers are working to persuade Pacific Gas and Electric to reevaluate the climate zone which it says affects the post.

"We are listed in a zone where the temperatures are actually warmer than they get in Fort Scott and the Pershing areas," states Crane.

Even if PG&E makes a change, Presidians must conserve in order to reduce energy costs.

Most quarters, Crane points out, have control of their hot water heater, just turning it down a few degrees will help cut costs.

Residents who have dishwashers should turn them off when they reach the drying cycle and let them dry by ventilation.

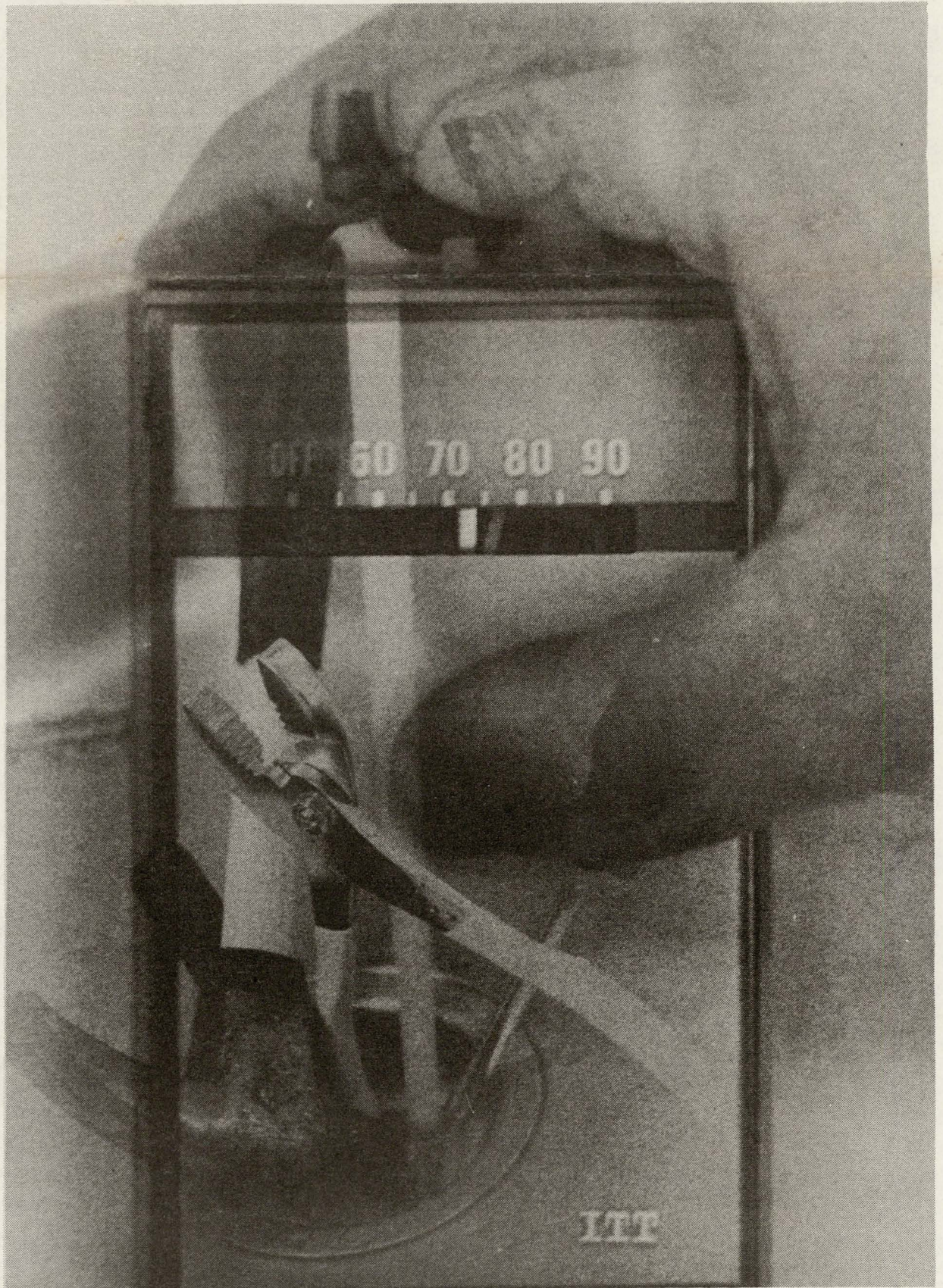
Keeping the thermostat turned down during the day or off when there is no one home can also cut the post's energy use.

The deferral of the kitchen improvement project may not be the only affects of the energy crunch that soldiers will feel, according to Crane.

"PG&E officials have been here twice and called several times to see what plans we have for cutting back electrical use during the summer.

"They tell us that their generating capacity will be at the lowest point in a long time. People here may be called upon to cutback during peak times this summer."

"People must conserve energy," Bennetto concludes, "because if Congress doesn't give us the money, more projects may have to be cut."



Down the drain

Rising energy costs are forcing the delay of a project to improve the kitchens in 171 Pershing area quarters. Soldiers who believe they are't paying for energy waste should think again. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

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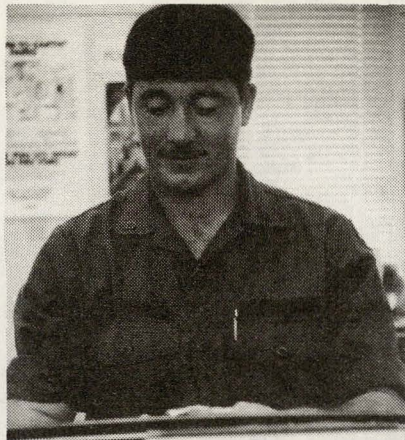
Ramblin' Sam

What has been the biggest improvement in the quality of life here?



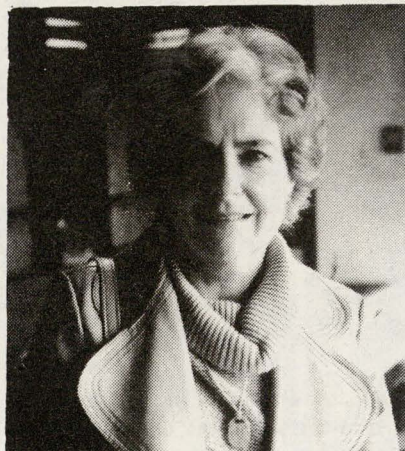
Sp4 Laura Madrid, COMPACT—"I don't think there has been one. What I would do (though) is relax the relationship between the officers and enlisted because it seems like some officers see the enlisted as just cheap labor."

Lyn Albert, Transportation Division—"I think trying to consolidate within walking distance... the bank the post office, COMPACT, finance and transportation... Moving all the services for the military member into one location."



Sp4 Frank Woodward, COMPACT—"I've been here since July and I've been living in... Pershing Park. During that time it's not only not gotten better, I think it's gotten worse because of the health hazards like garbage and broken bottles lying around."

PFC David McHenry, COMPACT—"I would say that this Armed Forces Day... Black Heritage Week and programs like that... help to create morale and I think that is one of the best things that has happened."



Lois Richards, retired dependent—"I think... tearing down the old buildings to make the room really made the post look nicer and cleaner."

Clean-up

Campaign is for everyone

Although today marks the last day of the Spring Cleanup Campaign, it does not end our responsibility to keep our post looking sharp.

Because the Presidio is an open post millions of people drive through either as tourists or to get to other parts of San Francisco.

As Americans of the Army they have come to expect a high degree of "spit and polish" from those of us in uniform. As taxpayers, they have the right to demand that their dollars are protected.

If each of us owned our quarters, I am sure we would make a special effort to see that the grass was cut and the trash picked up. We'd like to give the neighborhood a good image.

Why should our qualities be any different?

For some reason, Presidio residents don't seem to care and take the attitude, "they're only government quarters."

Yes, they are government quarters. But as taxpayers and as ren-

ters, (we give up our BAQ) we also own a small part of them. Why should we let them become run down and overgrown with weeds?

Many residents, especially in the Pershing area, are faced with the challenge of cutting grass and weeds on steep hills. For some, the challenge is too great.

The quarters area are not the only places affected by the clean-up campaign.

The main post areas where we work are also in need of attention.

It is too easy for us to overlook that piece of paper or can, because, "the post police will pick it up."

The soldiers on the police detail are dedicated individuals, but I am sure it wouldn't bother them if they never had to pick up another piece of trash.

Keeping the Presidio clean and beautiful is the responsibility of each and every person who lives or works here. Let's make the clean-up campaign a daily effort.

The Editor

Display the flag

June 14 marks the 205th birthday of the Army. For those of us in green it is a day of pride as we look back at the contributions soldiers have made to our country.

But June 14 is also Flag Day, the day set aside to honor "Old Glory."

Throughout the history of the Army and the nation, the "stars and stripes" have served as a rallying point and an inspiration during times of despair.

There are countless tales of soldiers on the brink of defeat rallying to victory after catching a glimpse of the flag. There are other stories of brave Americans risking their lives to save "Old Glory."

"The Star Spangled Banner," the national anthem, was written by Francis Scott Key as he watched the battle at Fort McHenry from a ship in Chesapeake Bay.

The Iwo Jima Memorial is dedicated to the group of Marines who

struggled bravely to raise the "stars and stripes" on that Pacific Island during World War II.

In recent years, the flag has been burned, torn down and worn on the seats of people's pants. These few have mistreated the flag to protest or demonstrate some cause.

Through the years, despite its maltreatment, "Old Glory" has remained a symbol of freedom for oppressed peoples around the world and a rallying point for the nation.

No finer tribute could be paid the flag than to display it on June 14.

Most quarters have brackets already installed and some residents have been issued flags from family housing. Others may purchase them from stores in the area.

Although we should fly the flag everyday, what a beautiful site that it would be to see a "Old Glory" flying from every set of quarters on post.

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Article 15 filing rules eased

Commanders will find the most recent changes to the military justice regulation to their liking.

According to Capt. Stephen R. Scholz of the Presidio JAG office, an interim change to AR 27-10 lessens the administrative burden on commanders giving Article 15 punishment. The change was put into effect May 20.

Scholz says that commanders giving minor Article 15 punishment now decide whether the Article 15 form will be filed in a soldier's military personnel records jacket (MPRJ) or their official

military personnel file (OMPF). Previously, "Minor Punishment" Article 15's had to be reviewed at the special or general court-martial level to determine filing status.

The change also provides that the commander's decision is final on the filing status of "Minor Punishment" Article 15's.

Minor Punishment, Scholz says, is defined as restriction for 14 days or less, extra duty for 14 days or less, detention or forfeiture of pay for not more than one month, correctional custody for

seven days or less, warnings or reprimands, or any combination of the above.

The change further provides for notifying local finance and accounting offices early when Article 15 punishment affecting pay is being appealed, according to Scholz.

In addition, Scholz says, the regulation change ends the mental status exam for soldiers before trial by court-martial. This applies to general and special courts-martial which have the authority to rule on a bad conduct discharge.

Joint service handling

Military mail to take new route

The recent selection of the Army as the DoD agency in charge of military postal service will mean some changes at the Army Military Mail Terminal in downtown San Francisco.

According to Lt. Col. Dennis C. Martin, commander, the most obvious change will be in the unit's name. "We will be known as the **Joint Military Postal Activity**."

The move will also increase the activities workload by about 50 percent and increase its staff.

The staff of the Mail Activity will consist of

soldiers from the four branches of the service working together. Martin hopes to have all his people on board and the new system working smoothly by mid-September. "This will be just in time for the Christmas mailing season, which is really busy for us," he commented.

The move to combine military mail service was made to end duplication and improve military postal operations, according to a DA announcement. The action by DoD provides, for the first time, coordinated funding of the more than \$120

million spent each year for overseas mail.

Joint Military Mail Activities will also be located with U. S. Postal Service Center in New York as well as in San Francisco.

These activities will provide routing information to USPS on military mail, to include mail going to Army post offices in Miami and Seattle.

The MPSA headquarters, like its activities, will be staffed by all branches of the service and will serve to make military mail service procedures standard.



A pretty girl. . .

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer poses with the 1979 March of Dimes poster child, Besty Burch in his Pentagon office. Meyer will visit the Presidio June 16. (Photo courtesy March of Dimes Foundation)

Army chief to visit post

Gen. E.C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, will visit the post June 16.

Presidians will have two opportunities to hear Meyer speak. The first will be an address to all officers, NCOs, and senior DA civilians at 10:10 a.m. in the post theater.

At noon, Meyer will be the feature speaker at an **AUSA luncheon** in the Presidio Officer's Club.

Meyer is expected to talk about the subjects contained in his "White Paper 1900" in which he details his vision of molding the Army into a well-trained fighting force ready to meet the challenges of the coming decade.

The general sees the 1980s as a time of "evident hazard to critical national interest." He stresses the need for the Army to be prepared for the three days of war."

In Meyer's view the "three day" concept means that the Army must prepare to "deter the day before the war; to **fight** the day of the war; and to **terminate** the conflict in such a manner that on the day after war, the United States and its allies enjoy an acceptable level of security."

Meyer, an infantry officer, was commissioned in 1951 after graduating from West Point.

The youngest man to be named the Army's top general, Meyer, has served in a number of important positions during his career including working on the development of the airmobile division and Vietnam buildup between 1960 and 1965.

In Vietnam, Meyer served as deputy commander of the 3rd Brigade, the 1st Cavalry Division, the division he helped plan. He assumed command of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry in 1965. During his second tour he lead the 2nd Brigade of the 1st Air Cavalry Division and served as division chief of staff in 1970.

Meyer has extensive service on all levels of the Army staff not only in Washington but also in Europe. He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff Course and the National War College.

Since becoming Chief of Staff, Meyer has worked hard to improve the quality of life in the Army, increase recruiting and retention, improve readiness and modernize the Army.

Tickets for the AUSA luncheon are available by contacting Mr. Robert Joy at 561-2035.

Making ends meet made easier

by Jon Chelgren

"Consumer prices rose again this month."

Most of us are sick of hearing this story month after month. We feel it everytime we go to the store as more and more of our money goes out to pay for the things we need. Many families are having a hard time making ends meet.

For those who are trying to make ends meet or are looking to save money, Diane Newcomb of the Army Community Service Center, has some ideas.

Newcomb, who serves as the ACS social services representative and financial counselor, says, **"The way that people can really save money is through the food stamp program."**

"We do a quick pre-screening here," she continues. "We can tell them in five minutes if they qualify."

Newcomb says that an average of 50 soldiers a month see her for that pre-screening and 90 percent of those qualify.

"It's based on family size and income," Mrs. Newcomb explains. "It depends on a lot of things—whether both the husband and wife are working—that kind of thing."

But for those who don't qualify for food stamps, Newcomb has a variety of ways they can use to battle the rising costs in living expenses.

Coupons are one good way, according to Mrs. Newcomb, and she notes the ACS operates a coupon "exchange." **A box at the front desk in the office is available for those who want to trade coupons they don't use for coupons that they will.**

"Another way to save money on food costs," Newcomb says, "is to make a menu covering one or two weeks and then make your shopping list from that."

The key to the success of doing that is that a person buys only what they need and not "impulse" items that catch their eye while in the store.

Newcomb stresses that another good way for military people to save is to **shop in the commissary and cut those quick dashes into convenience markets.** She claims those trips cost 30 percent more for items than they would in the commissary.

Food isn't the only way to save, though. Newcomb has several suggestions for cutting expenses in other areas.

"With clothing costs," she says, "the thrift shop is one of the best ways to save money. And not just the thrift shop on post. There are thrift shops all over the city."

Additional ways to save, according to Newcomb, include special plans with the phone company limiting the number of units a month and following energy tips to cut fuel bills.

Automobile insurance bills can also be trimmed, she says, by carrying a high deductible on the policy, having your coverage written for low-mileage pleasure use of a car or by buying liability coverage only.

Newcomb offers a variety of financial counseling services. One type, which she says everyone can use, is the "budget rundown" which enables people to see where their money is going.

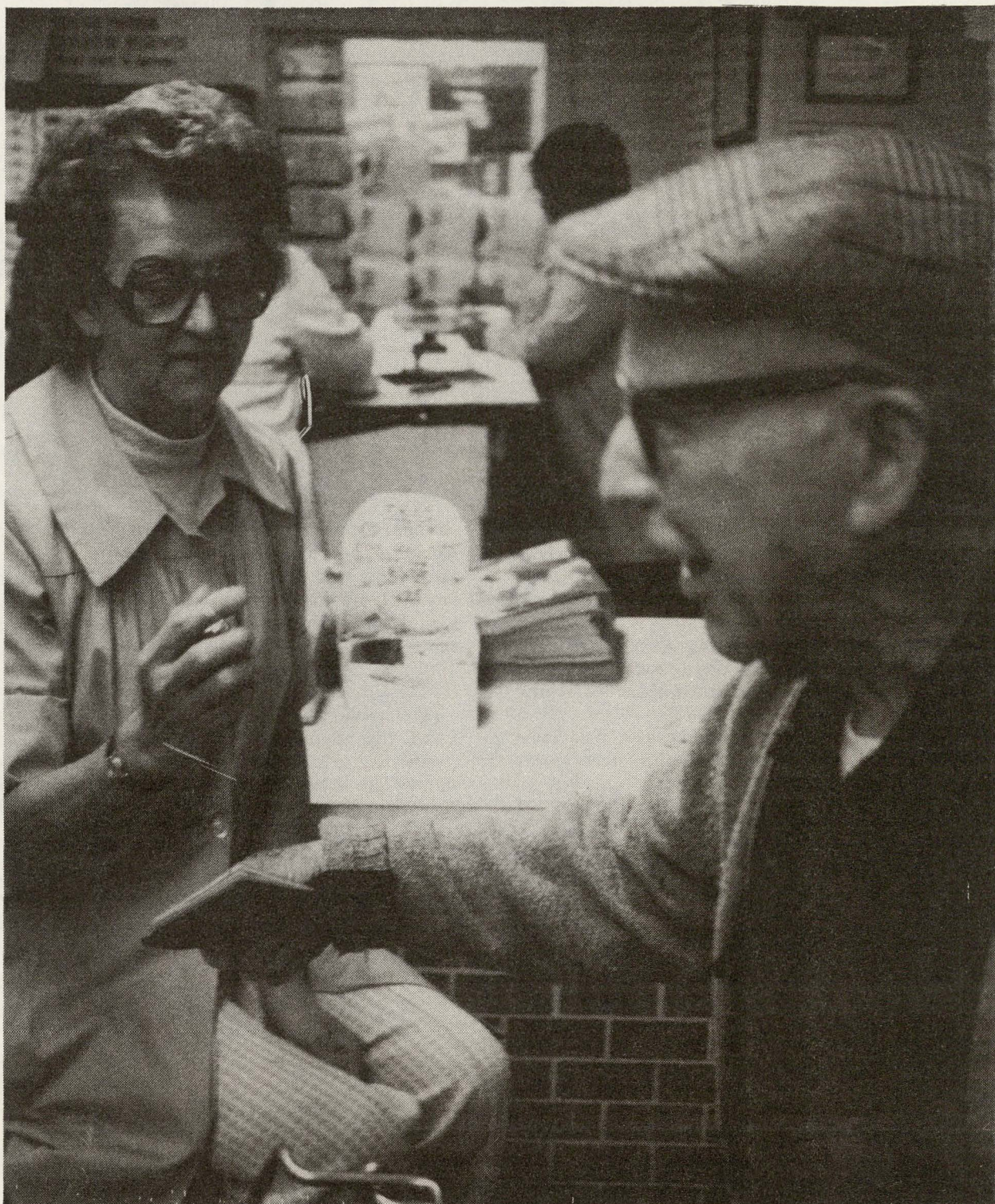
"The budget rundown," she says, "shows people where they are financially. We show them how to make necessary adjustments so that things will be much easier for them."

When people find themselves overwhelmed by credit payments, Newcomb can suggest a "debt liquidation" program. By taking their monthly income and deducting their expenses, she determines the amount of funds available to make payments. She then goes to the creditors and negotiates for lowered payments. She says the program is "very successful."

For those in serious financial trouble, Newcomb also has Chapter 13 bankruptcy counseling available. As long as the case is "simple," her paralegal counseling can save a person up to \$200 in legal fees.

The advantage to the Chapter 13 proceedings, she says, is that interest rates are chopped to six percent.

For those interested in saving, Newcomb has a host of pamphlets with additional suggestions available and invites people to visit her in building 214.



You look much younger than your picture

Anna Smith of the Presidio commissary checks a customer entering the store. Not only can commissary shopping be cheaper, coupon exchange

boxes at both the ACS and the commissary front desk offer customers a chance for additional savings.



A million dollars in debt?

Diane Newcomb goes over a budget rundown with a client. Newcomb, the ACS social services representative and financial counselor, suggests

that everyone can use the rundown to give them a clear picture of their financial status.

College scholarships available

Like everything else these days, the cost of a college education is becoming more and more expensive.

For soldiers the Army Emergency Relief provides some help through its educational assistance programs, according to Mr. R.L. Nightingale, Presidio AER officer.

Loans and scholarships up to \$1500 a year are available through the program, says Nightingale, which is open to unmarried dependent sons and daughters of active duty, retired and National Guard or Reserve personnel and the dependents of deceased active duty or retired personnel.

Nightingale says the loans or scholarships are awarded based primarily on need as well as individual merit and ability.

He explains that interested persons must submit a detailed application for the assistance. Information on the form includes questions regarding the parent and student's income and assets as well as their financial obligations. That confidential information helps AER officials assess the need in each case for financial assistance.

Application forms are available from the AER

office from September through January. Completed forms must reach AER headquarters in Washington, D.C., no later than March 15 each year to be considered.

Nightingale says, the money used for these scholarships and loans comes from the donations of soldiers world wide through the annual AER fund drive.

The Presidio's drive will conclude June 15.

Presidians interested in applying for educational assistance can get further information or applications by stopping by the AER office in building 214 or by calling 561-5256.

Vietnam vets

Readjustment counseling available to help ease the scars

Although the Vietnam conflict has ended, many veterans of that era must deal with physical and mental scars received during that period.

Help is available, however. The Veterans Administration offers a readjustment counseling program for Vietnam era veterans.

The program is designed to reach younger veterans having problems adjusting to civilian life after military service.

VA officials estimate that as many as one in five vets could benefit from the counseling services.

Currently, 370 vet center counselors can offer help. Seventy-five percent are Vietnam era veterans.

At present, 80 centers are operating in heavily populated areas. Six others are part-time operations and sites for five additional centers have been selected.

The local veterans center is located at 1708 Waller Street, San Francisco, Calif. 94117. Their phone number is 386-6726.

Because of their background, these counselors are sensitive to and aware of the needs of Viet-

nam era veterans, say VA officials.

An estimated 12,000 veterans have been seen by counselors since April, according to VA officials.

Not only do counselors meet face-to-face with vets, they also make phone calls and visit veterans' families in an effort to meet all of their needs.

So remember, you don't have to carry the load by yourself. If you're having problems readjusting, call your local VA office and find the center nearest you. VA can help.

Free job service available to vets

Finding a job when you get out of the service isn't always easy. But you may be able to get help from a local job service office.

The job service is a network of public employment offices that offers "no fee" placement services. It has 2,500 local offices throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

Job service offices are funded by the U.S. Department of Labor and operated by the states and territories.

The service refers people to jobs for which they are best qualified.

Also, the service helps employers by sending qualified people to fill vacant jobs. The office review applicants' job skills and experience before referring them.

Employers with large or unusual job needs may find help through the service. For example, the service may set up a special work group to

obtain employees for a business or industry being started in a community or may use its offices nationwide to find workers having particular skills not available locally.

Other services available through the job service offices include:

• Interviewing applicants to get their job experience, skills and interests.

• Giving tests—designed to avoid cultural bias—to measure aptitude for jobs.

• Advising people needing to make job choices or changes.

• Providing information about jobs, qualifications and physical demands.

• Referring people to available jobs and developing suitable positions.

• Accepting and solving job service related complaints.

The job service also offers employment and training opportunities to its applicants. These

programs include:

• Classroom, on-the-job training, work experience and public service jobs in Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) programs;

• Apprenticeship training in more than 450 skilled trades;

• Special summer job campaigns designed to help young people get jobs after they complete school and during summer vacations.

Job service offices may be found in local telephone books under the State Government. They'll be listed under Job Service, Employment Security Administration or State Employment Service.

Those wishing to apply for help in finding a job may visit any local job service office.

In the Bay Area call 557-1800 for more information.

Presidio gets its Mount St. Helen's as main breaks

Mr. John Thomason of the Facilities Engineers Attempts to slow down the flow of water after an eight-inch main broke across the street from the Main Gas Station. The eruption of water reminded some viewers of recent volcanic action at Mount St. Helens. (Photo by Ken Juber)



Time to spare

Tonight

MAME opens tonight at 8 p.m. at the **Presidio Playhouse**. The show will run through June 29 with performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 7 p.m. Additional performances are set for Thursdays, June 19 and 26, and Wednesday, June 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50. Military personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists get \$1 discount when they present a valid ID card.

Tomorrow

Neil Sedaka appears in concert at the **Circle Star Theatre** in San Carlos tonight at 8 p.m., tomorrow at 7 and 10:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8.75 and are available through BASS or box office ticket outlets.

Sunday and Monday

The final concert of the "Jazz on Sunday" series is **Sunday at 2 p.m.** at the **Fort Mason Performing Arts Center**. Tickets are \$2.

A **contemporary dance workshop** starts Monday at the Central YMCA. Dancer and choreographer **Gretchen Phillips** will hold daily two-hour sessions for beginners and intermediates on the techniques of **jazz, modern, ballet and musical theatre dancing**. For more information call 885-0460.

Wednesday

The Media Alliance hosts a **Photographers' Visual Forum** at the **Fort Mason Center** Wednesday June 11 at 7:30-9:30 p.m. The forum is designed to allow photographers to share ideas and prints or slides with fellow photographers. Cost is \$3.

Coming events

A class in **Calligraphy** will begin June 16 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. Cost will be \$15 for four weeks of classes. Sign up at the Presidio Rec Center.

Tickets are now on sale for the **Willie Nelson** concert **Aug. 1 at the Oakland Coliseum**. The tickets can be bought through BASS.

Tours available

The Recreation Center is sponsoring the following tours: June 14, to Santa Cruz Beach and Boardwalk for \$3 and June 21 the Wine

Country for \$10 which includes transportation, lunch, winery tours, and a visit to the "Rhine House," a historic California landmark.

The Friends of Recreation and Parks offer a variety of **free tours** in nearby **Golden Gate Park**. The **American Renaissance tour** along the park's music concourse leaves from in front of the Pool of Enchantment every Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. The **East End tour** leaves McLaren Lodge every Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. The **Strawberry Hill tour** starts at the north end of the rose garden Saturdays at 2 p.m., while the **West End Tour** leaves the Anglers lodge Sundays at 2 p.m.

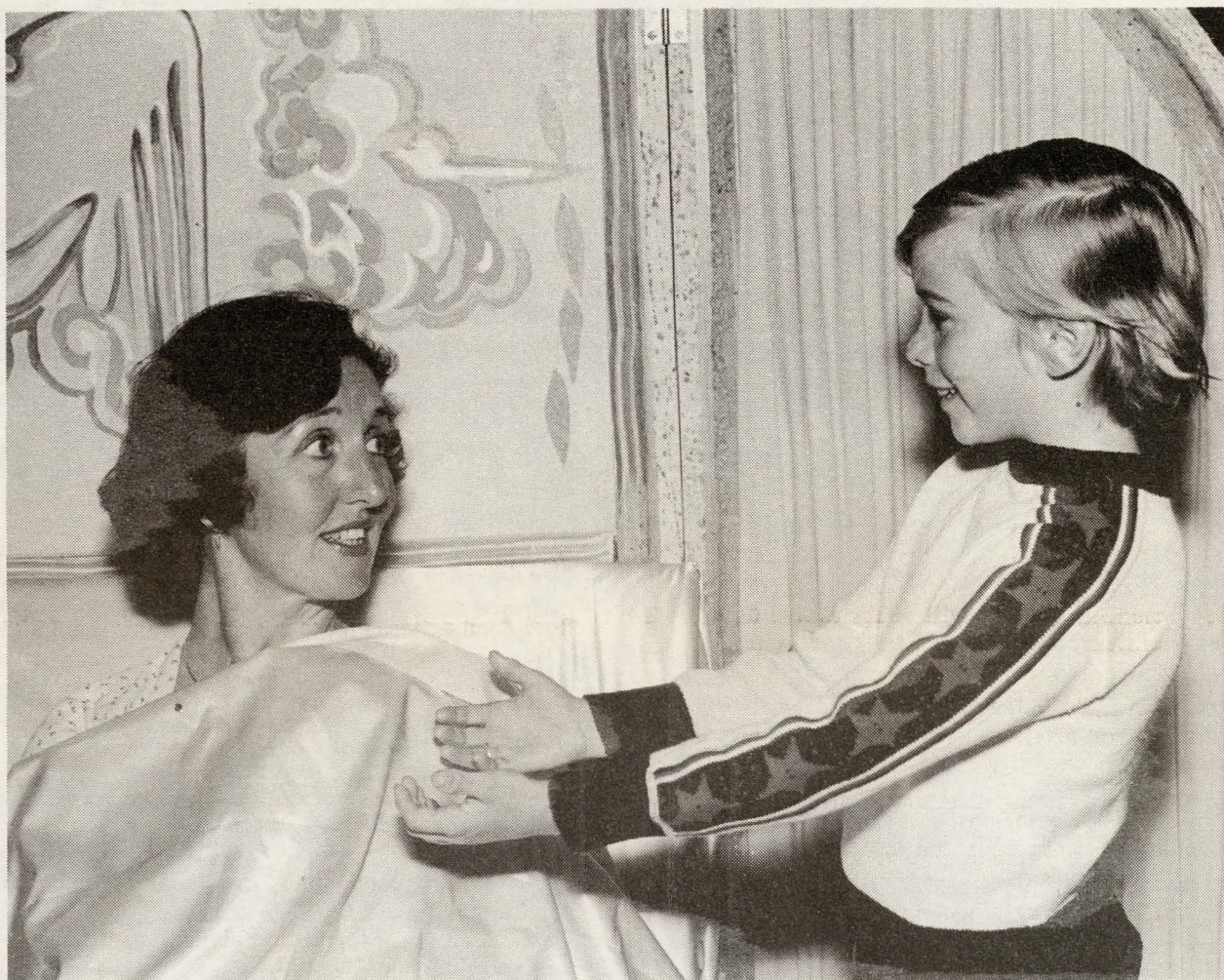
"**Castle Dracula**" has opened as a part of the **Universal Studios tour**. The count takes visitors on a tour of his "home" to meet **Frankenstein** and his bride, the **Wolfman**, the **Mummy**

and many others. The tours let people take a closer look at how Hollywood special effects and stunts are performed. Tours are conducted **daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.** at the studios in Universal City. **Discount tickets** are available at the Presidio Rec Center.

Tickets on hand

The special Marine World/Africa USA discount ends this weekend. Admission and use of all of the park's activities will be \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children, ages five-12.

For additional information concerning Rec Center programs and activities, please call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. Ticket and discount coupons are available daily after 4 p.m.



Ann Homrig-Hausen as Mame and Tom Fulghum as her adopted nephew, Patrick, appear tonight in the opening performance of MAME at the Presidio Playhouse at 8 p.m. (Photo courtesy Presidio Playhouse)

Auntie Mame

Butane lighters may be dangerous

"Hey, Harry, did you read that article in last night's paper on the dangers of using a butane lighter? I'd get rid of yours if I were you."

"Yeah Joe, but some of that stuff is just rumor. A butane lighter can't really explode with the force equal to three sticks of dynamite. The national safety council says these lighters don't have that much fuel."

But butane lighters can be dangerous, the council says, when they're abused, misused, exposed to heat or altitude or if they malfunction.

For example, loss of cabin pressure in an airplane can cause a butane lighter to leak. Also, a damaged lighter could release large amounts of gas and engulf your face with flames.

Butane in a lighter is liquid under

pressure in a small tank. When the valve is opened, butane gas is released.

Butane expands when exposed to heat, increasing the pressure inside the lighter. If the pressure of the butane exceeds the tank's strength, it will rupture. This can spray you with a volatile gas.

When butane is sprayed onto clothing, the result is similar to a wick in a kerosene lamp when first lit, say safety officials. The clothing will flame immediately.

To reduce injury, you should take the following precautions:

- Never subject your lighter to temperatures over 120 degrees Fahrenheit (49 degrees Celsius) because high temperatures cause butane to expand quickly.

- Do not leave a butane lighter in a car where the sun can overheat it.

- Do not expose plastic lighters to sparks because the plastic may melt, releasing butane gas.

- Keep the lighter away from the face when striking a spark and adjust the flame to the shortest possible height.

- Do not use any lighter not designed to shut off automatically when you let go of it. It should be self-extinguishing and have a wind shield around the flame.

- Do not refill any lighter near a flame, electric or gas stove, or any kind of heater.

- Do not carry a butane lighter aboard any airplane. Escaping butane could cause a fire.

Remember, butane lighters can be hazardous. If not properly handled, they can rupture and spray you with flaming butane. (ARNEWS)

Sports

Shorts

Players wanted

If you like to play tennis and help the community at the same time, the Presidio Tennis Club is for you.

Going into its second year, the club began as a way to gather tennis players from all units and activities on post. Membership also open to retirees, reservists and DA civilians, and dependents.

The group has been holding benefit tournaments since the 1979 Combined Federal Campaign and has helped the Presidio Nursery School's library fund as well.

Club dues of \$12 per year pay for tournaments, trophies and social events.

The club will hold a tournament June 14. Anyone interested in joining can sign up by calling Jim Carroll at 561-4210.

Swim planned

The Sports Branch will conduct an advanced swim class, which will include such aspects as, increased stroke efficiency, learning competitive swim techniques, and improved conditioning. Classes will be for active duty military personnel only, and will be held Monday and Wednesday 1-2 p.m. and Thursdays 3-4 p.m. starting June 16, 1980.

However, before entry is granted, all swimmers must pass a required skill test. Those desiring to sign-up or in need of further information contact Karl Gaffney at 561-5032/4120.

Golf tourney set

The 1980 Commanders Summer Golf Tournament will be conducted at the Presidio Golf Course June 18 and 19.

Golfers must compete in this tournament to be eligible for selection to the Presidio golf team that will participate in the FORSCOM championships at Fort Riley, Kan. July 14-18.

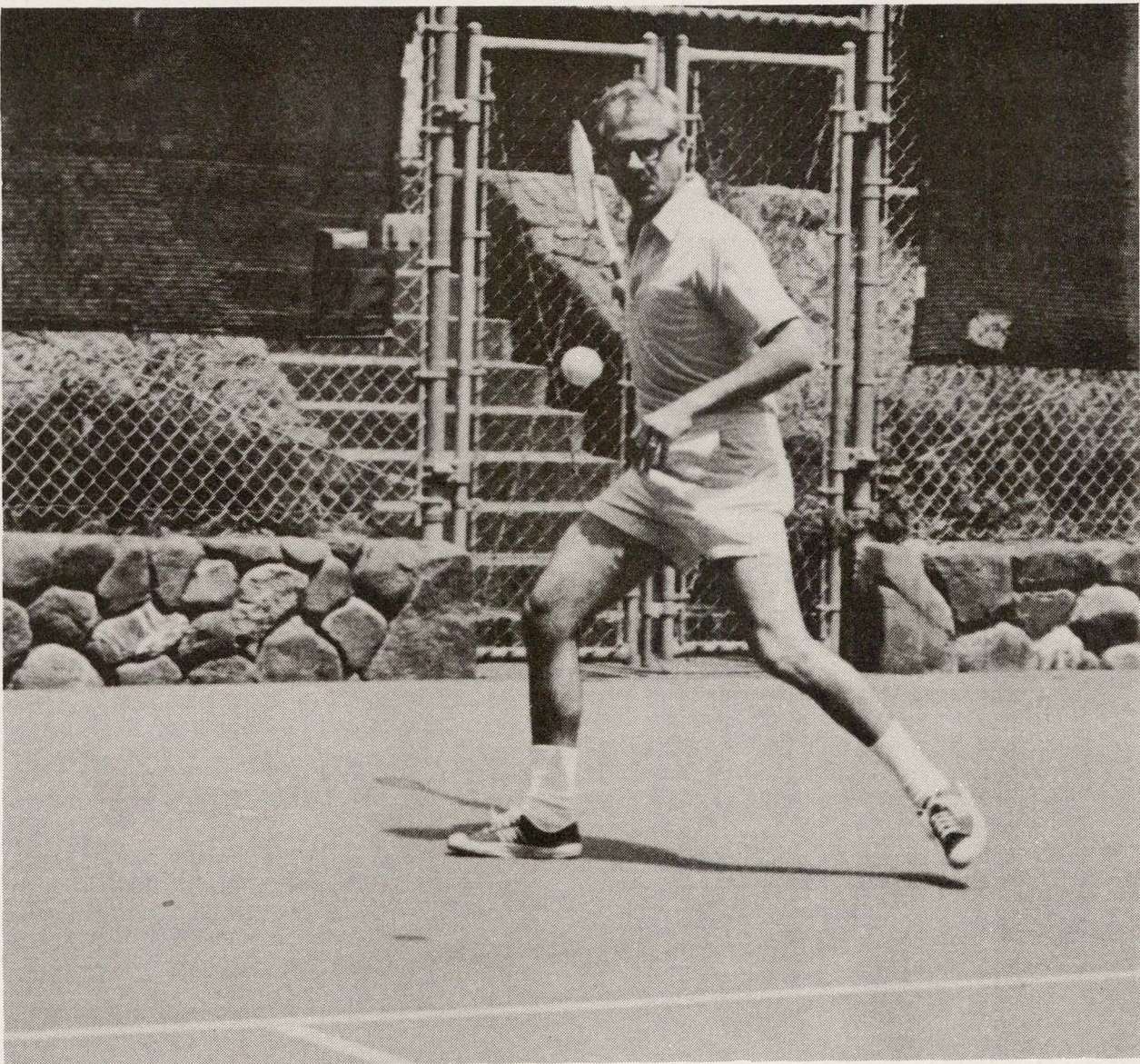
For more information, contact Jim Ragasa at 561-2070.

Summer B-ball scheduled

The Presidio men's summer basketball league will begin play in early June if enough players sign-up. All players interested in the game are urged to sign-up at post gym no. 1. For more information contact Karl Gaffney, at 561-4120/5032.

Gym closed

Gym No. 2, building 1152, will no longer open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning June 9, due to floor renovation.



Follow the bouncing ball

Rudi Ansbacher returns a serve during the 1980 post tennis championship. Although Ansbacher lost he will be a member of the Presidio team to

the FORSCOM tourney later this summer. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Hill downs Egan for tennis crown

The Post tennis tournament has concluded with **Bentley Hill, Sixth Army**, emerging as the victor over **Thomas Egan, LAMC**, in the Junior Vets Division, 6-0, 6-2.

The following players have been selected to represent the Presidio in the 1980 FORSCOM tennis tournament to be held Aug. 11-15 at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Senior Division
Boris Stojic, LAMC
Rudi Ansbacher, LAMC

Junior Vets Division
Bentley Hill, Sixth Army
Thomas Egan, LAMC

Women's Open
Barbara Zimov, LAMC
Laurianne Dubia, USAG

Men's Open
Nick Lapins, LAMC
James Stearns, USAG
Richard Karsh, LAMC
Gary Jones, LAMC

Doctors kill unbeaten USAG

The doctors of LAMC, remain the only undefeated team in the Presidio Intramural Softball League. The Doctors faced with a possible defeat at the hands of previously unbeaten USAG, scored two runs in the eighth inning to win a 7-6 victory.

The men of Mill Valley, the 666th Radar have been pounding the softball all over the field. Their latest victim, the 163rd MP CO, felt the power as they went down in defeat 14 to 1.

Rich Smith, of the FBI, lead his team to victory, by banging a double in the fourth inning, to score the only run of the game against the much improved U. S. Attorneys. The 1-0 ball game went the full seven innings in less than 50 minutes.

The 51st Engineers kept pace with the league leaders by scoring a 7-6 win over LAMC No. 2.

Team standings for the week are as follows:

TEAM	W	L	TEAM	W	L
163rd MP CO	4	4	FBI	5	3
USAG	6	1	864th ENGRS	4	1
Service Station	1	5	USACC	2	5
170th MP CO	4	3	LAIR	4	1
SJA	0	6	LAMC, Admin	3	2
51st ENGRS	3	1	LAMC No. 2	4	1
666th Radar	5	2	LAIR No. 2	1	5
Four Seasons	2	5	HQS, 6th Army	2	1
Coast Guard	3	2	Doctors	5	0
Attorneys	3	4	LAMC No. 1	0	4
Public Health	1	4			

Women win but men lose two

The Presidio Men's and Women's Softball teams traveled to Travis AFB for a doubleheader last weekend and came back with two wins for the women and a double loss for the men.

The women continue to play well, winning both games against the women of Travis 13-8 and 10-0.

The women, under the coaching of **Deryl Arrington, LAMC**, and **Betty Adams, of Sixth Army**, have compiled a 4-2 record.

The men, still having difficulty working as a unit, lost both games at Travis, 10-7 and 21-14.

These games are a tune up for the 1980 FORSCOM Softball Tournament to be held Aug. 25-29 at Camp McCoy, Wisc.

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Recital set

The public is invited to attend the **1980 DYA Ballet Recital** June 8 at Letterman's Schwartz Theatre beginning at 3 p.m.

The recital is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Piernik, a member of the original Ballet Russe in Shanghai, China. For more information call the DYA office at 561-5143.

AUSA earns points

Army Reservists can now earn retirement point credit for attending Association of the United States Army (AUSA) chapter meetings.

According to an official in the Office of the Chief, Army Reserve (OCAR), reserve personnel may be awarded one retirement point for attending a two-hour or longer AUSA chapter meeting. The official adds the purpose of the AUSA meeting must meet the criteria outlined in paragraph 3-33E, AR 140-1, for the awarding of retirement credit.

Also, a maximum of one retirement point per day has been set.

The next AUSA meeting on post is June 16 at the Officer's Club. Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer will be the guest speaker.

Blood drive planned

Letterman Army Medical Center will hold a blood drive June 12 and 13 in Schwartz Theater. Hours will be from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 12, and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 13.

Gift help available

The Creations Unlimited gift shop will be this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help you solve your Father's Day and graduation present puzzles.

The Gift Shop located in building 558 —LAMC handles hand-crafted items made by active duty or retired military, their dependents or Presidio civilian employees and is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Last chance

The Board of Trustees of the University of Northern Colorado voted recently to phase-out the degree programs outside the State of Colorado.

The Masters in Business Administration program with an emphasis in Health Care Administration which is offered at Treasure

Island on the weekend seminar format will be phased out by the fall of 1981. The last opportunity to enroll in this unique program will be July 28.

If you are interested in participating in this very successful degree program, your application must be received by the July 28 deadline.

For more information, call the San Francisco Area Coordinator, Susan Bier, on Tuesday at the LAMC Education Center, 561-3692/4030, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., or at Treasure Island, 397-1079.

House for rent

Reservations are now being taken for a three bedroom, two bath, fully furnished house located on South Shore, Lake Tahoe, approximately five minutes from downtown.

For more information come by the Outdoor Recreation Center, building 92, or call 561-4324 or 4356.

Looking for youths

If you are between the ages of 15 and 18, looking for an exciting summer, call the Red Cross Volunteer Office at 561-2187 and ask for more information about our Summer Youth Program.

Buy a lemon?

Do you have a consumer complaint? Did you buy a lemon at that car lot down on Van Ness?

If you're having consumer problems but you're not sure who to contact, the U. S. Office of Consumer Affairs may have just what you need—The Consumer Resource Handbook.

The handbook is designed to help you find the offices and organizations which help consumers. It gives brief descriptions of the services and information federal agencies offer. It also lists state and local government offices.

Other material offered by the handbook includes information on how to handle a consumer problem and what steps or legal action you may take to solve the complaint.

You can get a copy of the Consumer Resource Handbook by writing the Consumer Information Center, Dept. 532G, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.

School registration set

Registration is currently underway for all military dependent children not now enrolled in the San Francisco Unified School District.

Registration ends June 20.

Registration will be conducted at the school to which the child is assigned according to residence address.

Children born on or before Dec. 2, 1975 can register for kindergarten and those born on or before Dec. 2, 1974 may enroll for first grade.

Information on the assigned school can be obtained by calling 561-5057 or 5155, or visiting the Army Community Service Center.

Two sizes available

If the shoulder boards on your new grey/green Army shirt don't fit properly, check your collar size.

Officers are reminded that there are two different size shoulder boards available at the Presidio PX. The smaller boards are for use on size 14½ and smaller shirts. Size 15 and larger shirts can use either the small or large boards.

The shoulder boards are designed for a smooth fit. If yours wrinkle, you are probably using the large boards on a smaller size shirt.

Info wanted in Glover case

The CID is seeking information concerning the death of Mrs. Cynthia Glover.

Anyone having information which might be helpful to the investigators is asked to contact Special agent John Brown at 561-3578.

Mrs. Glover's body was discovered in her quarters at 1575-E Pershing Drive by her husband SSgt. Preston Glover a military policeman. She had been stabbed several times across her neck and chest.

The 27-year-old woman has worked as a secretary for the Director of Reserve Component Support on post.

Last week, Capt. Richard Engel, CID spokesman stated that there were several suspects in the case.

The CID has been joined by the FBI on the investigation.



Fishing on a foggy day

The Fort Baker dock is a favorite spot for fishermen as John Green learned recently. This picture

taken on a foggy day has earned Green "Photo of the Week" honors. The Star Presidian is looking

for photos deserving of this title. If you have one bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

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Youths to learn, earn here

Twenty-six Bay Area teenagers will be learning about ecology and conservation here this summer. At the same time the post will get a sprucing up.

The youths will be living and working on post beginning June 23 as part of the Department of the Interior's Youth Conservation Corps camp.

The camp is designed to give teenagers an opportunity to learn and earn some money by doing needed conservation projects on public lands.

According to Mr. Guy Williams, YCC coordinator, the youths will work six hours a day and attend classes the other two. "But," he states, "the schedule is flexible so that whenever possible learning and work will be combined."

During their eight week stay the teenagers will live on post Monday through Friday and then go home on the weekends. They will pay for their room and board out of their wages.

While they are here the youths projects will include:

- Restoring the ecology trail

- Clearing grass and rubble around the historic battery areas

- Improving Mountain Lake Park

- Reestablish ground cover in the 1500 area

- Replanting shrubs in six areas

- Restoring the perimeter around the San Francisco National Cemetery

- Cleaning and trimming shrubs around Lobos Creek

- Cleaning and painting playgrounds.

The conservation corps is a nationwide effort established by law in Sept. 1974.

Fort Scott murals uncovered

Dying artist's last wish granted

A dying San Francisco man will get to see three murals he helped paint in the 1930s.

Members of the Company D, 864th Engineers uncovered the murals this week in preparation for a visit Mr. Ralph Rosebaum.

The murals were painted on the walls of what is now the 504th MP Battalion dining facility. They were covered with mirrors in 1978 during renovation of the facility.

Efforts to get the murals uncovered began when Mrs. Martha Smith who helps care for Rosenbaum wrote a letter to the post commander asking that he be allowed to see them before he dies.

At the same time Smith also began looking into the possibility of having the murals permanently uncovered and protected.

"I was told that if we were able to raise the \$350 necessary to purchase the plexi-glass, then the murals could be protected and displayed," comments Smith.

Rosenbaum painted the murals in 1933 at age 18 when he worked on the Civil Conservation Corps, part of the WPA. They took six months to complete.

"The murals are considered valuable and rare because little WPA art work is still in existence,"

stated Eric Saul, Presidio Army Museum curator.

A World War II veteran, Rosenbaum, 63, went on to study painting in Paris, Venice and Mexico. He is currently being cared for under the Hospice program which allows the terminally ill to spend their last days at home.

Even though the money to buy the plexi-glass has been raised, it is not known whether the murals will be preserved or covered up again.

"Our purpose is not to put alot of people to alot of effort just so Ralph can see them. We would like everyone to see Ralph's contributions to the post," Smith concluded.



Sailin' along on a breeze

This photo by Col. John E. Hutton Jr. of LAMC was a winner in last year's interser-

vice photo contest. Deadline for this year's contest is July 11. (See article on page 8)

Two talks planned by Army Chief

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer, will visit the Presidio Monday for a series of talks and briefings.

Meyer will address all officers, NCOs, and senior DA civilians at 10:10 a.m. in the post theater. Protocol officials request that everyone be seated by 10 a.m.

The Army's top general will also address the AUSA luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Presidio Officer's Club. Tickets for the lunch may be purchased by calling Mr. Bob Joy at 561-2035.

The Army's top general is expected to talk about subjects covered in his "White Paper 1980," which looks at the challenges facing the Army in the decade ahead.

A 1951 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Meyer is the youngest man to have been selected to serve as Chief of Staff.

Since becoming Chief of Staff, Meyer has worked hard to improve the quality of life in the Army, increase recruiting and retention, improve readiness and modernize the Army.

Meyer will visit Sixth Army headquarters, and meet with post officials during his brief stay.

Opinion

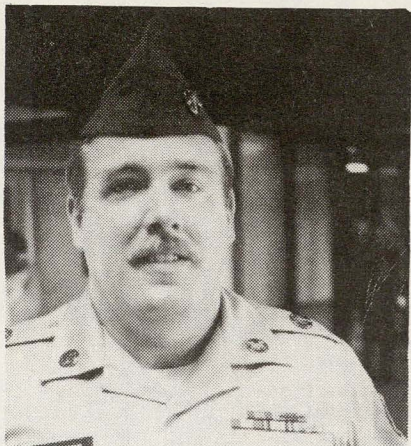
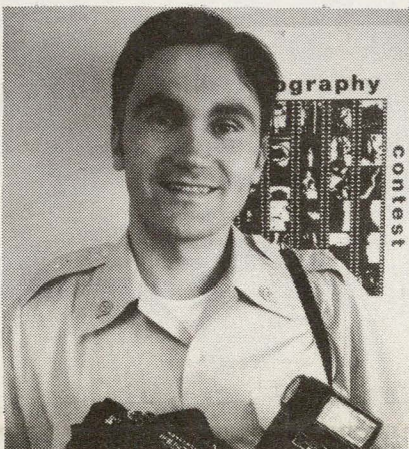
Ramblin' Sam

What soldier has made the greatest contribution to the Army?



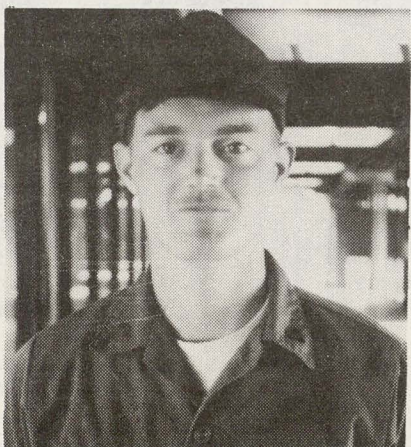
Sp6 Michael Slobodjan, FESA—"Omar Bradley because he's a soldier's soldier and he doesn't play politics."

Sp5 Ken Juber, Photo Lab—"Me! The day I joined the Army I made the greatest contribution any soldier could give and that is giving of himself."



Sp6 Delbert Gillette, Reservist—"General George C. Marshall because he was chief of staff during World War II during the most difficult time the Army had with the largest force level. He had to worry about more problems than probably any other soldier in the history of the Army."

PFC Cynthia Jeter, USAG—"I think 1st Sgt. Winters because he's acting first sergeant and he's just an E-7 and he does real good."



Sp4 Scott Heron, Sixth Army—"Audie Murphy was a real hero because he's got the Medal of Honor and not too many soldiers have that."

We must not lose

On June 14, 1775 the Continental Congress voted to form an Army to win America's independence.

Pledging everything they owned, this group of farmers fought and died for six years to win this nation's freedom. They achieved their miracle win with little training, few supplies and often with little or no pay.

Since the end of the Revolutionary War, soldiers have stood ready to defend America's freedom. Ten times they have been called to do so.

Today our soldiers face the same challenge as the millions of men and women who have served before us, to be prepared to meet new threats to our way of life and freedom.

To many, these threats are not as clear as they once were. They disregard the need for training and readiness with the thought "No one would attack the United States."

Perhaps they are right, but isn't that what everyone was saying prior to Dec. 7, 1941, the day the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor?

Even if no enemy was so bold as to directly attack our nation, our freedom is tied to other areas of the world which supply the materials needed to keep this country running.

In order to prepare or to deter war we must train. That training must include not only knowledge of our MOS but also physical fitness and basic soldiering skills.

As we go about our training we should remember these words by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, "You are the ones who are called upon to fight... Yours is the profession of arms... In war there is no substitute for victory. If you lose, the nation will be destroyed."

The Editor

Why do you drop rank?

Dear Editor,

Having just read the June 6 issue of the **Star Presidian**, I find myself dismayed by a journalistic practice you employ in this newspaper. Specifically, it is your practice of eliminating a person's title when referring to him in an article or caption.

Beneath the photograph of General Mayer and the 1979 March of Dimes poster child, you caption reads: "Meyer will visit the Presidio..." The same reference, sans title, appears throughout the accompanying article. In fact, it is rampant throughout the entire issue. I

am certain that Gen. Meyer is proud of his rank and would resent being referred to as simply "Meyer."

The practice of title-amputation has spread throughout the medias in recent years. Even the President suffers from this fate nightly on the national news. However, the **Star Presidian** is sponsored by the military for an active Army installation, and should therefore reflect the highest degree of professional military protocol.

Well, Tiernan, what do you think?

Capt. Lawrence M. Greenberg
548th Ord Det (EODCC)

Dear Capt. Greenberg,

Over the years, everything seems to change... even the Army. Conservatives say the Army is changing too rapidly, too dramatically for its own good. The more liberal minded would have us believe we are too steeped in tradition to make any great changes. Your letter itself demonstrates, however subtle, the effects of change.

Ten years ago Army newspapers were full of platitudes and official language. The writing was so stilted that the newspapers were seldom read. They had no value as a means for commanders to speak to their troops.

In 1971, the Army Chief of Staff, recognized the problem and wisely approved the Army newspaper modernization program. He knew that Army newspapers needed to adopt plain talk and language consistent with the audience they were

trying to reach. Aside from format and editorial policy changes, the Chief of Staff directed us to the Associated Press Style Guide for proper word usage.

The style guide tells us how words are to be used or how they can be misused. And among the practices suggested by the guide for making reading easier is the dropping of an individual's rank after the first usage. This also reduces redundancy as people will associate the rank to the name after seeing it the first time.

All this is necessary in order for Army newspapers to grab the attention of the reader and pass on the facts fast. Readers have neither the time nor inclination to plow through a lot of pretentious, pedantic writing.

Maj. Michael B. Christy
Public Affairs Officer

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Price war affecting travel

by Jon Chelgren

A variety of changes are being made in official travel because of the airline price war and recent comptroller general decisions, according to Mrs. Lyn Albert of the Presidio transportation division.

Albert cites the tremendous savings now available through reduced air fares as one change affecting Presidians traveling for official business.

"As an example," she says, "you take a \$350 fare to Washington, D.C. You can use the \$99 fare to New York and tie it in with a flight from New York to Washington... for \$164. That's a savings of nearly \$200 each way."

"We are advising travelers," she continues, "that if they can use this way and the time exists, they should be using it."

She adds that FORSCOM officials have recently stressed the use of the reduced fares for official travel.

In line with the reduced fares, Albert notes that a recent comptroller general's decision is making it easier for Presidians to take advantage of the savings.

The decision, she says, authorizes the payment of extra per diem for persons taking advantage of reduced air fares. However, Mrs. Albert cautions that the delay for the reduced fares cannot be solely for personal convenience nor can it interfere with the performance of official duties. The cost of the extra per diem also cannot exceed the savings on the air fare, she says.

Albert says another comptroller general decision affecting Presidians is the authorization for persons to keep any airline compensation for voluntarily giving up their sales on overbooked flights.

Prior to the decision, anyone receiving the overbooking compensation was required to turn the money over to the government, she says.

She notes that if the delay caused by the overbooking causes additional travel expenses, however, those expenses must be offset by the reimbursement. Also, if the delays occur during normal duty hours, persons will be charged leave.

A further development in the travel field is causing Albert to warn travelers to check their



Presidio travel agent

Lyn Albert of the transportation division does a quick sampling of the savings with new "super

saver" air fares. The airline price war is one factor in many recent travel developments.

flight coupon booklets when they board an airplane.

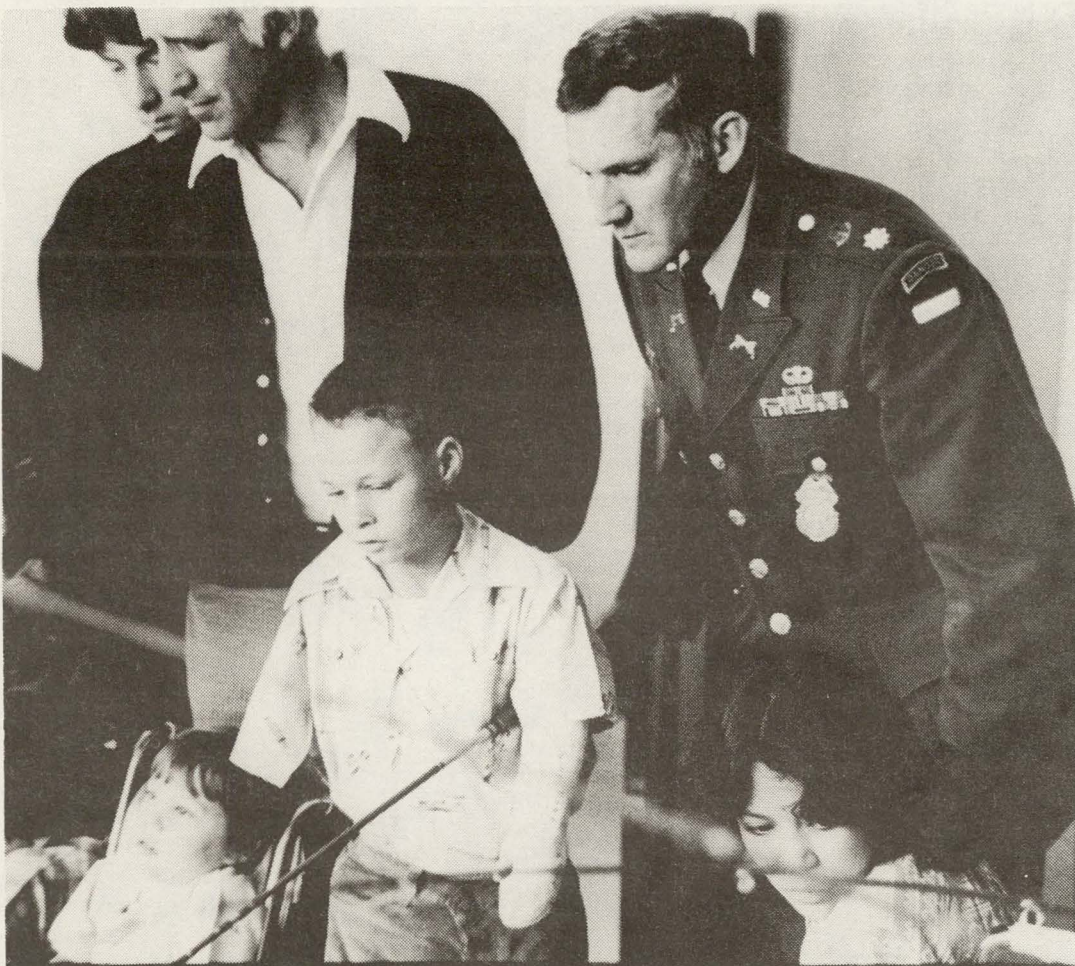
"A traveler is given a ticket from San Francisco to Colorado Springs for example," she says. "He boards the aircraft and the airlines pick up two coupons—San Francisco to Denver and Denver to Colorado Springs—in error. When he gets ready to get on the plane in Denver, he's missing a ticket. This happens quite frequently."

For the traveler, she says, "He's stuck. He has to pay out of his own pocket, then he has to report it to us as a lost ticket claim. We investigate..."

and it takes a minimum of 120 days for the investigation of the lost ticket to be cleared."

"This puts a hardship on the traveler," she continues, "because he's out of pocket... for 120 days. And if that ticket is used, he is not reimbursed. Airlines don't ask for your ID when you board and the ticket is valid for one year."

Mrs. Albert suggests that travelers simply "assume responsibility for their travel" and check their ticket booklets whenever they board any airlines.



Down at the old fishin' hole

Lt. Col. Donald M. Gallagher, provost marshal, helps a youngster, at the Shrine Hospital, fish. Gallagher was at the

facility representing the Presidio's MPs during the annual San Francisco Police

Departments Shrine Crippled Childrens Hospital Fishing Day. The hospital's therapy pool was stocked with several dozen fish so the children could participate in the outside activity without going indoors. (Photo by Jim Edwards)

Army gives soldiers help with college

Thinking about taking some night classes but not too sure you can afford them? The Army will pay up to 75 percent of the tuition cost under the Tuition Assistance Program.

You can get tuition assistance for courses leading to an associate's, bachelor's or master's degree. Tuition assistance can't be used for courses above the master's level. Also, if you already have an associate's degree, you can't use tuition assistance to get another associate's.

You must have enough time remaining on active duty to complete the course to get tuition assistance. If you use tuition assistance for a course and quit for personal reasons, you must reimburse the course cost to the Army. If you quit due to military reasons or because of illness, no refund is required.

Officers must agree in writing to stay on active duty for at least two years from the completion of any course for which tuition assistance is used. Also, officers who have VA education benefits can only use tuition assistance to fund a graduate degree if that degree is listed on the Army Educational Requirements Board's validated list.

For more information, contact the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-2974 or the LAMC Education Center at 561-4030.

Briefly

Too much refund?

Soldiers who lived overseas in 1979 and received a larger than expected tax refund may be getting a call from the IRS soon.

The Internal Revenue Service **may have made a mistake on your return** and will be asking for the extra money back.

It seems IRS paid "earned income credit" to many soldiers who did not qualify for the payment and who did not ask for it.

If you received such a payment, your refund check would have included a note from the IRS which explained that the extra refund was because you were eligible for the earned income credit.

The law requires you to repay the overpayment. If you have any questions contact the Legal Assistance Office.

Sgt. Maj board to meet

Senior Presidio E-8s should start getting their records in order if they hope to be among the 900 selected for promotion to sergeant major.

The sergeant major board will convene Sept. 3 to begin the process of reviewing the records of 4,600 E-8s for promotion to the highest enlisted rank.

Primary zone soldiers will be those E-8s with a date of rank of **Aug. 31, 1976 or earlier**. Soldiers with a DOR between **Sept. 1, 1976 and March 31, 1978** will be considered in the **secondary zone**.

Other criteria for promotion consideration include:

- E-8's with a basic enlisted service date of Dec. 1, 1971 or earlier
- Eligible E-8s should have a high school diploma or GED equivalent, or an associate or higher degree

- Eligible soldiers should not be restricted from promotion under paragraphs 7-37 and 7-61 of AR 600-200.

Presidio E-8s who will be considered by the board should call the Personnel Management section at COMPACT 561-4405 for more information.

Only \$3,000 max.

Upon the death of their active duty soldier, next of kin are often disappointed to find that the six-month pay death gratuity they expected is really only \$3,000.

Under the 1955 law, Ms. Ruby Poullard, survivor assistance office, explains the death gratuity payment to the next of kin will be "equal to six months pay." The catch, however, is that the gratuity may not be "more than \$3,000."

Only soldiers with less than two years service in the grade of E-1 have a six-month base pay of less than the \$3,000 maximum. And even these soldiers make more than \$3,000 in six months if they receive special pay, such as jump or hostile fire pay.

The vast majority of death gratuities paid are exactly \$3,000, officials say. Soldiers should use this figure in their family financial planning rather than the "six months pay" idea.

If you have any questions contact Poullard at 561-3688 or 5076.

Last chance

Michigan residents are reminded that they have until June 30 to file for the state's Vietnam Era Bonus.

For information and applications write the Vietnam Bonus Section, Department of Military Affairs, 2500 South Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48913 or call (517) 373-7320.



An apple a day

It may only be one little apple you're eating, but you're cheating other shoppers out of surcharge funds needed for commissary improvements. Evidence of pilferage and

"grazing" can be found at the Presidio commissary, and that's why eating is prohibited within the store.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Pilferage is 'eating' up PSF commissary funds

by Jon Chelgren

Despite a politician's recent claim that there is no such thing as a "free lunch," some people are getting just that at the Presidio commissary.

But it's costing other shoppers who pay for commissary pilferage out of surcharge funds designed for store improvements.

According to John C. Rose, commissary officer, "we find indications of pilferage here. We also see a lot of what we call 'grazing.' That's where a customer eats an item in the store and sets the empty package back on the shelf."

As far as setting a dollar value, however, Rose is at a loss to estimate the amount of pilfering or grazing that goes on at the Presidio.

"It's absorbed out of surcharge funds," he explains, "(which) cheats us out of money... for improvement of commissary facilities."

Aside from publicizing the fact that pilfering and grazing occurs at the commissary, Rose says his store also prohibits

"It's something we can't readily identify or estimate," he says.

Unlike civilian stores which make up the difference for pilferage in profits and losses, the commissary must pay for the losses in other ways because of its non-profit nature, Rose says.

eating and has employees keep a watchful eye out for those customers who do.

But he says many shoppers simply ignore the signs. Moreover, Rose cites a case of what happens to employees when they approach a customer violating the eating ban.

"There's been a case here recently," he says, "where an employee was cussed out by a customer after the (customer) was caught eating in the store."

Rose also employs a security specialist at the store to monitor customers and employees as another means of guarding against pilferage.

Yet he says, "(Pilferage) is very difficult to observe and it's very difficult to prove even if you catch someone."

He explains, "If we observe someone in the store putting an item in their pocket, the customer can always claim that it was inadvertent. We have to catch them past the check-out counter."

But that doesn't mean that commissary officials are hamstrung in dealing with pilferage. Rose cites the fact that several persons have lost their commissary privileges for pilferage since he has been commissary officer.

And he adds legal penalties for those convicted of pilferage can run up to \$5000 and one year in jail.

Soldiers are PX stockholders

by Tom Tiernan

Most people only dream about investing in a company that pays back tax free dividends each and every year.

What few soldiers realize is that they are stockholders in such a company—the Army and Air Forces Exchange System.

In the past ten years, AFES has contributed nearly \$653 million to the morale and recreation funds of the Army and the Air Force and that's quite a dividend.

The Presidio's share of those funds during this period are estimated to have run between 4 and 5 million.

Providing these moneys, which are derived from earnings made possible by customer purchases, "is one of the missions of the AAFES system," states Mrs. Sandy Bourne, Presidio exchange manager.

The money generated by AAFES is given directly to DA where it is divided on a per soldier basis with some funds retained to provide major construction funds and special projects funds.

Major Army Commands further divide the money among the posts under their command. In FORSCOM, money is also set aside for reservists, who are authorized to use the PX four days during the month.

On the Presidio 25 cents per soldier per month is set aside for unit funds.

This year alone the post has received almost \$300 thousand in funds, including those headed to the units.

According to DPCA spokesman, in the past ten years money from the PX dividends have been used to build a new post gym; install lights, fencing, and a sprinkler system at the Fort Scott baseball field; to make additions and improvements in the Arts and Crafts Center and to resurface post tennis courts.

Brig. Gen. Duane H. Stubbs, AAFES commander, points out that the dividends turned over to the Army and Air Force account for more than 75 percent of the exchanges system's net earnings. The remainder of the money is being used for capital improvements and working funds.

"When a customer buys merchandise or patronizes an AAFES movie theater, food or service outlet, he not only finds quality at reasonable prices but he also helps to support his own morale and recreational activities," Stubbs commented.



Stockholder inspecting the stock

Sp5 Taavale Sao of Sixth Army examines a garment at the Presidio PX. Every time soldiers

purchase something at the PX they are investing in their morale and recreation activities.

Believe it or not

Army has changed since 1775

by Tom Tiernan

To hear most soldiers talk, things haven't changed much in the past 205 years of Army history.

The truth of the matter, however, is that the Continental Army of 1775 bears little resemblance to the Army today.

Although today's uniforms aren't the latest from Paris, the Continental soldier was poorly uniformed. Those first volunteers appeared on the battlefield in a wide variety of outfits from hunting jackets and homemade clothes to semi-uniforms.

The uniforms of 1775 lacked any distinctive color or style. There were blue coats and black coats, long trousers and breeches. If nothing else the material improved as the Revolution progressed. Cloth which was designated for Sunday suits and dresses was used for uniforms. Often many soldiers marched into battle in outfits finer than they had ever known.

One of the few uniform items to be passed through history was the service stripe. On June 17, 1782 a General Order was issued that stated "Each Non-Commissioned Officer and Private, who has served four years in any Continental Regiment shall be entitled to wear one stripe of white tape, on the left sleeve of his regimental coat, which shall extend from seam to seam, on the upper part to the sleeve."

Although the size, location, and the criteria for wearing the stripe has changed it is still a part of the soldier's uniform.

The patriots who volunteered to form the first Army were required to bring their own weapons to battle. This resulted in a wide variety of guns appearing on the battlefield including hunting rifles and family firearms.

The most common weapon of the day was the smooth-bore musket. With the musket the soldier could fire three shots every minute if he was proficient and his powder stayed dry. The only additional firepower was any artillery pieces he managed to capture from the British.

Today of course the soldier is equipped with the most modern weapons available. The M-16 rifle is considerably lighter and is capable of firing more than 200 rounds per minute.

The Revolutionary War might have ended sooner if the soldiers then were supported by the number of weapons available today. In 1775 there were no eight-inch howitzers or rockets or machine guns. Battle was often slow paced and frustrating.

Perhaps the biggest difference between today's soldier and those who served in 1775 is his pay.

Typical pay for that period was \$20 per month for a captain; \$13.33 for a lieutenant; \$8 a month for a sergeant; \$7.33 for a corporal and \$6.67 for a private.

Today's pay is \$1,093 for a captain; a second lieutenant takes home \$827; a sergeant (E-5) \$562; a E-4 makes \$540 and a private \$449. Quite a difference.

Many of the traditions of the first Army have been modified and have found a place in today's force. Included might be the Oath of Enlistment. Here's what a soldier in 1775 pledged himself to:

I... have, this day, voluntarily enlisted myself in the American continental army, for one year, unless sooner discharged; and I do bind myself to conform, in all instances, to such rules and regulations as are, or shall be established for the government of the said Army."

While it is true "somethings never change," this can't be said of the Army.



Time to spare

MAME continues at the **Presidio Playhouse** tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Sunday 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 and are available at the playhouse box office. Active duty personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists get a \$1 discount with their ID cards.

Woody Herman and His Herd bring their sounds to the **American Music Hall** at 9 p.m. tonight. Tickets are \$8.50. The American is located at 850 O'Farrell St.

There are still spaces open for the Recreation Center's tour to the **Santa Cruz Beach and Boardwalk** tomorrow departing at 9 a.m. Cost is \$3 per person. Tickets are available after 4 p.m. at the Rec Center's tour office.

The **Fourth Annual San Francisco Free Folk Music Festival** begins tomorrow at noon at the **Fort Mason Center**. The festival includes music, classes and workshops and it continues through Sunday. Call 661-2217 for more information.

Sunday the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department will sponsor a "**Day for Dad**" picnic from 11 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. in the **Sigmund Stern Grove**. Presidians are invited to participate in the Father's day fun which features games and contests, clowns and live music.

Kenny Loggins comes to the **Concord Pavilion** Monday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$9.50 and are available from Ticketron and BASS outlets.

The Rec Center will sponsor a **Wine Country Tour** June 21 for \$10. The tour bus departs the Rec Center at 7:45 a.m. and will take participants on a visit to a **vineyard and winery** and a stop at the **historic Rhine House**.

The **43rd Annual Midsummer Music Festival** in Stern Grove starts a series of ten **free Sunday concerts** June 29 through Aug. 31. The concerts range from performances by the San Francisco Symphony to a concert highlighting the music of California's gold rush days.

Concerts scheduled for late June and early July include a **Tchaikovsky concert** by the San Francisco Symphony on **June 29**, "**Opera in the Grove**" by the Merola Opera Program **July 6** and a performance **July 13** by the **Preservation Hall Jazz Band** from New Orleans. Call 398-6651 or 558-4728 for more details.

The Presidio Officer's Club is holding a **Mid-Year New Year's Eve Party** **July 3**. Special discount tickets are on sale now through June 30 for \$15 a person or \$30 per couple. After June 30, the tickets will go up to \$25 and \$50. The price of the tickets includes a New York steak dinner, champagne, party favors, gratuity and a continental breakfast. The **Jimmy Blass Orchestra** will perform at the celebration from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.



In the spotlight

Ann Homrig-Hausen as Mame and Tom Fulghum as her adopted nephew, Patrick, appear in **MAME** tonight at 8 p.m. as the Presidio Playhouse con-

tinues its production of the award-winning Broadway musical. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Monsterous welcome awaits you at Universal Studios

Drop in on Count Dracula and few friends during the Universal Studios tour. The count's place is but one of many attractions awaiting tour participants as they get a behind-the-scenes look at movie special effects. Military discounts are available. For more information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 4 p.m.



Sports

Shorts

Swim class planned

The Sports Branch will conduct an advanced swim class which will include tips on how to increase stroke efficiency, learning competitive swim techniques and improved conditioning.

Classes will be held for active duty soldiers only and will be held Monday and Wednesday 1 to 2 p.m. and Thursdays 3 to 4 p.m. beginning June 16.

Before taking the course, all swimmers must pass a skill test. Those desiring to sign-up or in need of further information should contact Karl Gaffney at 561-5032.

Golf tourney set

The 1980 Commander's Summer Golf Tournament will be conducted at the Presidio Golf Course June 18 and 19.

Golfers must compete in this tournament to be eligible for selection to the Presidio team that will participate in the FORSCOM Championships at Fort Riley, Kan., July 14-18.

For more information, contact Jim Ragasa at 561-2070.

Summer basketball?

The Presidio Men's Summer Basketball League will begin play in early June if enough players sign-up. All players interested in the game are urged to sign-up at post gym number 1. For more information contact Karl Gaffney at 561-5032.

Bowling sign ups set

Signups for summer youth bowling will be held tomorrow at the Presidio Bowling Center from 10 a.m. to noon. All dependent children of active and retired military personnel ages six through 21 are welcome.

Gym closed

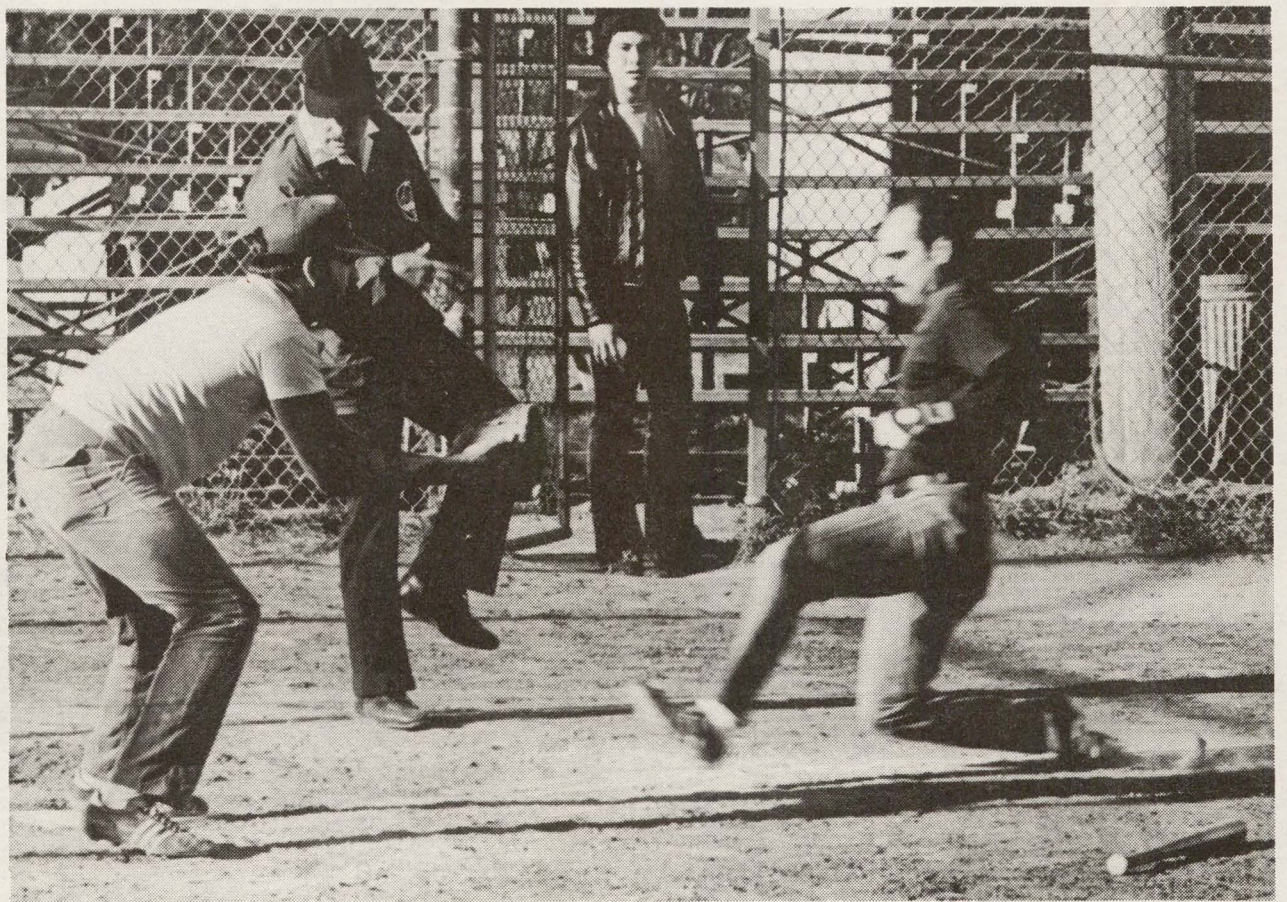
Gym No. 2, building 1152, is no longer open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The change in hours started June 9 because of floor renovation work.

New sports director

Mr. Michael H. Workman has been named the new Sports Director for the Presidio.

Workman's previous assignment was as the Staff DYA Director at Vicenza, Italy. Prior to that he served as Sports Director from 1976-77 at Zweibruecken, Germany and as DYA director at Okinawa, Japan from 1974-76.

Workman has a B.S. degree from Utah State University in the field of Recreation Administration.



The home-coming

Catcher Joe Buonaiuto of the Coast Guard patiently awaits the arrival of Dave Gallironi of the Four Seasons team during Tuesday's softball

action at Fort Scott. Gallironi was out at the plate, but the Four Seasons team blasted the Men from Yerba Buena 19-5. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

LAMC 2 pull the plug on Doctors

There are no more undefeated teams in the Presidio intramural softball league as last week's leader, the Doctors, were carved up by LAMC 2 by a score of 14-2.

Other results for the week are as follows:

Winner	Loser	Score
USAG	LAIR No. 1	6-5
LAMC No. 2	Attorneys	3-1
170th MP CO.	LAMC No. 1	14-12
Public Health	51st ENGRS.	14-3
Coast Guard	USACC	18-1
Service Station	DIO	22-0

666th Radar	864th ENGRS.	14-3
LAIR No. 2	LAMC No. 2	2-0
Doctors	FBI	1-0
163rd MP CO.	864th ENGRS.	5-2
666th Radar	51st ENGRS.	3-1
Four Seasons	LAMC, Admin.	9-8
Coast Guard	USAG	18-8
Attorneys	LAMC No. 1	16-3
Sixth Army	LAIR No. 2	14-0
LAMC, Admin.	FBI	1-0
Four Seasons	LAIR No. 1	11-10
Public Health	170th MP CO.	17-6
USACC	DIO	26-2
LAMC NO. 2	Doctors	14-2

Men split double header at Beale

The Presidio Post Men's Softball Team came back from Beale Air Force Base with a hard fought split, losing the first game 7-6 and winning the second game 8-2.

Although the Presidians came up with three double plays and a home run by Dexter Grayson in the first game, it proved insufficient as Beale

managed to hold on to its one run advantage and win 7-6.

In the second game, the Presidians stormed back behind the dazzling defensive efforts of infielders Scott Carr and Bobby Jenkins. Explosive offensive plays by the Presidians, which included a grand slam by 864th's Leo Pardo, cinched the game for Presidio. The final score was 8-2.

Race to benefit AER fund drive

A 3.1 mile race will be held June 21 to benefit the Army Emergency Relief Fund.

The race will begin at 9 a.m. in front of post gym number one at Lincoln and Funston Ave. A \$5 entrance fee will be collected during registration from 7:30-8:45 a.m.

Free refreshments and age group awards for the top three finishers in each division.

The AER assists soldiers and their families in times of financial need. It also provides assis-

tance in the form of scholarships and grants to deserving dependents so that they can attend college.

The fund is supported solely by the donations of active duty soldiers and concerned civilians and retirees.

The 1980 AER drive will conclude June 15 and those who wish to contribute may do so by contacting Sgt. 1st Cl. Richard Brogdon at 561-4082.

For more information about the race contact Mr. Bob Darling at 561-4120.

Army jumps to 1980 track crown

The Army continued its dominance of interservice track and field as both the men's and women's teams raced to victory at the Air Force Academy June 3.

On the champion women's team was Presidian Mazie Tuckson who finished fourth in the women's 5,000 meter run.

This is the third straight year that the teams have captured the Interservice Track and Field Meet.

To take the crown the Army captured 21 first place finishes in the 31 event meet. The men and women in green also brought home nine second place ribbons and five third place finishers.

The team's strongest event was the triple jump where the Army grabbed all three places.

The members of the track teams are no strangers to the Presidio having spent several months training here and competing in track and field meets throughout the area.

Presidio News Notes

Coffee set

The Enlisted Mens Wives Club will hold a Welcome Coffee at the NCO/Enlisted Club, June 20 at 10:00 a.m. All new arrivals are invited to attend.

Youth classes planned

The Presidio Enlisted Wives' Club is organizing a Youth Club for dependent youths from 8 to 19 years old.

Volunteers to teach crafts, sports, and games; to drive, chaperone, and supervise organized activities; provide baked goods or other treats for these activities are needed.

Volunteers should call 561-4936 or 561-6234 to sign up.

Registration for the club will begin on June 13 at the Log Cabin from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Photo class set

A beginners photo course is scheduled to start June 26 at 6:30 at the Presidio craft shop. The cost for the class is \$4 which includes lectures and lab fees as well as a Saturday field trip. For more information call Dave Black at the photo lab 561-3445.

Sign up for class

Registration for DYA summer classes will be held June 30 through July 3 at the Log Cabin.

Classes will include arts and crafts, tennis, basic auto repair, gymnastics, tap dance, and Red Cross swim lessons.

Classes will begin the week of July 7 and run for six weeks.

For more information, call Dependent Youth Activities, at 561-5143.

Houses for rent

The outdoor recreation now has a variety of places to go, to spend your leisure time.

A condominium, located on North Shore, Alpine Meadows, is ideal for winter skiing, spring and summer hiking and fishing in the Truckee River, or just relaxing and enjoying the quietness away from the hustle and bustle of city noise. Everything is furnished. All you need to take is your family, and what-ever you plan to consume while enjoying your vacation.

The center also has two houses located at South Shore near the main part of town, and close to the lake. A vacation of show, sight seeing, boating, camping, and when mother nature covers the mountains with snow, Heavenly Valley ski area is close by. Parks for picnicing, walking or hiking are nearby. An evening of dining is within walking distance.

For information or reservations call 561-4324 or come by your Outdoor Recreation Center, bldg. 92.

Youth sought

If you are between the ages of 15 and 18, looking for an exciting summer, call the Red Cross Volunteer Office at 561-2187 and ask for more information about our Summer Youth Program.



Rally 'round the flag

Members of the 170th MP Company take down the flag during a special retreat ceremony. This picture by Tina Juber is the winner of the Photo of

the Week. The Star Presidian is looking for photos to fill this spot. If you have one you'd like to see win, bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

Interservice photo contest deadline set for July 10

The deadline for entries to the Interservice Photography Contest is fast approaching, according to Dave Black, head of the Presidio's photo craft shop.

The Presidio coordinator for the competition, Black says that entries must reach him no later than 9 p.m. on July 11 to be considered by the judges. The judging takes place July 12 and winners will be announced immediately.

The contest starts with post-level judging. Winners are forwarded to FORSCOM competition and any entries that places there are then sent on to the all-Army contest. Those winners are entered in the interservice competition.

The contest is open to all personnel on active duty for more than 90 days, retirees, dependents and Department of the Army civilians. Reservists may also enter as long as their photographs were taken while on active duty or in an inactive training status.

Only active duty entrants, however, will be able to submit their works beyond the post-level competition.

Three separate groups of competition are open, including black and white and color prints, as well as color slides.

There are four categories within each of those groups. Three entries per person may be submit-

ted for general, people, scenic or experimental photography categories.

Prints being entered must be mounted and must be cropped so that no mounting board is visible.

Black says that the judges will be looking at entries for impact, freshness of approach, communication, technical skill and quality.

He urges interested photographers to contact him at the photo lab in building 122 for copies of the contest rules and entry blanks. Any questions concerning the contest should be directed to Black either in person or by calling him 561-3445/4497.

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Meyer calls for new GI Bill



In the hot seat

Gen. Edward C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff answers a question during a press conference held here Monday. (Photo by John Green)

by Tom Tiernan

Gen. Edward C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, called for a **return of the GI Bill** during two speeches here on Monday.

Making his first visit to the post since assuming office in June 1979, Meyer spoke to more than 800 officers, NCOs and civilians at the post theater and to a standing room only crowd during an AUSA luncheon at the Officer's Club.

In calling for a new GI bill Meyer said, "Now that we have registration, we have to go to a GI Bill... to provide the kind of incentive to bring in the young men and women we want in the service."

"As you know, I proposed to Congress in a bill that we provide two things for our middle grade management... That they be able to transfer their GI Bill to their children or that after 12 to 15 years service that scholarships be given to their children..."

The purpose of the bill, Meyer stated, was to provide the needed incentives to keep middle grade NCOs and junior officers in the Army.

The Army's top general praised the **Nunn-Warner amendment**. He said that the bill, which is supported by President Carter, would **increase BAQ rates for soldiers in the Bay Area about 40 percent**. Another benefit would raise PCS mileage rate from the current 10 to 18 cents.

Meyer was unable to offer any news on the October pay raise. He did, however, promise that as soon as he learned who the President's pay master was, "to go over and lean on him."

While saying that "The American people

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Thief helps himself to stereo

A 170th MP Company soldier is missing \$2,000 in stereo equipment after someone walked into his unlocked room this weekend.

The missing equipment was taken from building 1203 at Fort Scott while the owners was on an out-of-town mission.

According to SSgt. Don Alsup, operations sergeant at the Provost Marshal's office, the victim was unable to secure his room because a key was broken off in the lock, making it very easy for the theft to occur.

Military Police theorize that the theft was someone the victim knew. "In cases like this," states Alsup, "the theft is usually someone the victim knows. In this case it was someone who knew the equipment was for sale, knew the victim was gone for the weekend and knew the door was unsecured."

The victim had been advertising the equipment for sale in the weekly bulletin and this may have tipped off the theft, Alsup explained.

At press time there were no suspects in the case which is under investigation by the CID.

Uniforms

Year-round fabric to appear in 1982

Presidio soldiers can expect to see a new year-round green uniform fabric in their future, say DA uniform officials. The fabric was approved by the Army Chief of Staff after fabric test results were studied.

The year-round green uniform fabric will replace the four basic fabrics in the uniforms male and female soldiers are now wearing. According to officials, the new fabric is the first created for year-round use and is expected to save the Army \$2 to 4 million annually in clothing costs.

The fabric adopted for the new uniform is an 11-ounce 55/45 polyester-wool blend.

Officials expect uniforms made with this fabric to begin appearing in the Army supply system by fiscal year 1982. The uniform will cost \$45-50 in clothing sales stores and will have to be dry cleaned.

No wear-out date has been set for the current uniforms.

Also, the Army Chief of Staff approved for

optional purchase and wear a **zip-out liner for the black windbreaker** and a **heavier gray-green service shirt**.

A black windbreaker with zip-out liner will be available through post exchanges in about eight months, according to officials. It will be an optional item for men and women.

Presently, the black windbreakers being sold in the PXs do not have zip-out liners. These windbreakers, say officials, will not be restocked, but will still be authorized for wear as an optional item. The wear-out date for the optional green windbreaker has been set as October 1, 1981.

A heavier weight gray-green service shirt will be available in PXs in 9-10 months. The 80/20 polyester-wool blend shirt will offer greater warmth and durability, say officials. These shirts will not become issue items. Estimated cost of the long sleeve shirt will be \$20 with the short-sleeve version running \$18.

Training exercise turns to disaster

What began as a routine training exercise for the Camp Parks Fire Department ended as the real thing last Saturday morning.

According to Fire Chief Myron Lean, a fire truck developed a mechanical defect while attempting to go up a hill. The fire engine stalled, backfired and eventually caused a brush fire about 10:30 a.m.

Camp Parks, located in Pleasanton, Calif., is a military training installation.

The fire was quelled in 1½ hours with the aid

of 16 pieces of firefighting equipment from the surrounding area.

The 1969 International all-wheel drive truck was received from Fort McCoy, Wis., 14 months ago. The dollar value of the truck and its electronic equipment was \$25,000 said Lean. Its replacement will cost \$65,000.

Camp Parks Fire Department consist of 13 civilian firefighters and two pieces of equipment.

The incident is still under investigation.

Opinion

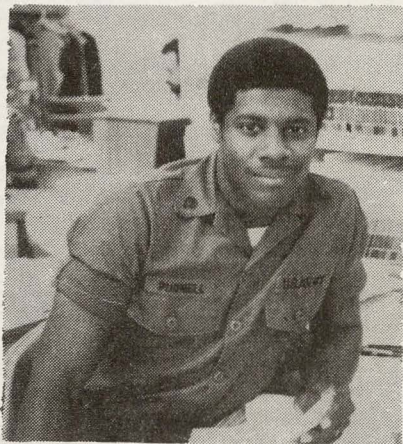
Ramblin' Sam

What would make you stay in the Army?



Sp5 Michael P. Coatney, USAG—"If the Army increased the pay for one thing, because individuals in the Army are really working for a mere pittance right now. There are very few people I know who don't have an extra job. You gotta make ends meet."

Sp5 George M. Purnell, Finance—"If the Army would stop mobilizing troops overseas and let them be stationary in the United States. If they'd increase the benefits and military pay."



Pvt. 1 Brigette A. Bridgeman, Recruiter—"The only reason I'd stay in the Army is if I were to get a pay raise, because the cost of living is just too high now and I can't survive on the little bit of pay the Army gives me now."

SSgt. Art C. Zapanta, MISO—"If I get warrant officer school or make E-7 within four years."



Sp5 Richard L. Anderson, Finance—"To obtain my reserve commission and have it brought forward as a captain. Have my mother as a valid dependent to me."

Meyer

Is this man a general?

When you listen to Gen. Edward C. Meyer you tend to forget that he's an Army general.

The Army's Chief of Staff visited the post Monday and left those who took the opportunity to hear him impressed.

Meyer doesn't fit the Hollywood stereotype of a general.

His hair is not graying. At age 51 he is the youngest man to serve as Chief of Staff.

His words are not complex. He talks simply of bucks instead of budgetary allocations.

He is not aloof. He mixes with officer and enlisted alike.

He is a man of vision and seriousness who is able to maintain a sense of humor.

He commands respect not through harsh words or actions but through genuine concern for those he commands and serves.

He is above all other things, a soldier.

The 28 other soldiers who have held the title of Chief of Staff shared among them such qualities including vision, concern for the soldier, and ability to communicate.

The 29th Army Chief of Staff possess all these qualities and more.

The remaining three years in Meyer's term offer those of us who serve hope that things will improve in all areas of our lives and that the challenges which face the Army in the 1980s will be successively met.

The Editor

I'm still waiting for change

Dear Editor,

Some time ago, a letter appeared in the Star Presidian concerning the poor service at the post cafeteria.

At that time, there was a promise that the cafeteria would improve. **That promise, in my opinion, has never been fulfilled.**

The food continues to be of poor quality and small portions are served at high prices. Yesterday they counted the number of new potatoes being put on the plate. Also they charged \$1.45 for one small stuffed cabbage.

As for the cleanliness—well forget it. Either you have to wait ten minutes for silverware or when it is available, it's dirty.

The lines are long and disorganized, and checking out at the cashier's line is even worse. Tables are never cleaned properly and trays are piled high waiting for attention.

Patience is a virtue, but even Job would have given up at the post cafeteria.

When are we going to see the improvements?

Still Waiting

Dear Still Waiting,

Considerable improvement has been made in the cafeteria by relocating the checkout registers, allowing two extra lines to serve the customers. During the period from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily, an additional cashier is on duty. The game machines have been moved to another location and the additional space is being used as dining area.

A project has been submitted and approved for renovation of the cafeteria; however, the project has been delayed until late 1980 or early '81.

The cafeteria serves only the best

quality food, and all meats and dairy products are inspected by the DA Vet Service.

Food portions are carefully controlled to eliminate waste. The servings of potatoes are approximately four ounces and the portion of stuffed cabbage approximately eight ounces.

Management at the cafeteria will be made aware of comments made about the silverware and the long lines. Additional training will be given employees in the proper method of cleaning tables.

Soundra Bourne
Exchange Manager

Your answer is 'pedantic'

Dear Maj. Christy,

Come on—"pedantic" in a newspaper that has been enjoined (pedantic usage) to use "plain talk"

is pedantic in itself. Or is that the irony of your ostentatiousness?

Lt. Col. Ross Smith
Sixth Army

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Scouts want old medicine

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

Presidians with outdated medicines in their cabinets are being asked to turn them in when Boy Scout Troop 77 comes knocking on their doors next Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The door-to-door collection of the outdated medications—as well as old eyeglasses—is the result of one troop member's quest for the highest rank in scouting, "eagle."

Todd Ansbacher, son of Col. Rudi Ansbacher of LAMC, is coordinating the drive as one of his last steps toward eagle rank.

Organizing the community service drive has meant a lot of work for young Ansbacher. After researching the dangers of the use of outdated medicines, he has collected numerous pamphlets and other information which he hopes to reproduce for use during the drive.

In addition, Ansbacher has arranged with the Provost Marshal's office for their support in the way of MP volunteers to assist the teams of scouts which will be canvassing the neighborhoods.

The MP's have also agreed to donate the use of five vehicles to help transport the team.

Ansbacher is quick to point out that the medicines collected during the drive are going to be properly disposed of by the appropriate authorities and that Presidio residents should not worry about turning their old medications over to the scouts who come knocking on their doors.

1st Lt. Intisar Abbassi, LAMC's pharmacy



'Scouting,' a poster

Todd Ansbacher works on a poster to get people to turn in their old medicines. The scout will be going door to door with the MPs to collect the

medicine as part of a merit badge program. Todd is the son of Dr. (Col.) Rudi Ansbacher of Letterman Army Medical Center.

officer, explains the dangers of having those outdated medicines as twofold. First, he says, as the medicines age and deteriorate, no one can be sure that the effects of the drugs will be the same as

those for which the doctor prescribed them.

And, he adds, sometimes as the medicines breakdown, other products are formed which can be hazardous to the user's health.

Briefly

Auto grants available

Seriously disabled veterans in the Bay Area may be eligible for a grant of up to \$3,800 to buy a car or other vehicle, according to Veterans Administration (VA) officials.

For some veterans to safely operate a car, special equipment may have to be put in, and VA will also cover those costs.

VA will make a one-time payment of not more than \$3,800 toward buying a car for active duty personnel with a service connected loss. This applies to veterans with a permanent loss of use of one or both hands or feet, or permanent eye damage to a certain degree.

Not only will VA pay for the vehicle and needed equipment, but the Veterans Administration will also cover repair, replacement or installation of such equipment in other vehicles.

Tours shortened

Some junior soldiers will begin shorter overseas tours October 1.

First-termers on a three year enlistment arriving in Europe or Japan on non-command sponsored tours after that date **will be required to serve only 18 months.** These soldiers now serve 24 to 32 months.

First term single or unaccompanied three-year enlistees already serving in Europe or Japan on October 1 will have their tours adjusted beginning October 1981. Under the adjustment, these soldiers won't have to serve overseas involuntarily beyond March 30, 1982.

The change will not affect soldiers having less than six months in the Army once they serve 18 months overseas. They will be extended in the overseas command until they ETS.

Commissary raises charge

Bad checks to cost more

by Kay Allen

If you are thinking of writing a bad check at the commissary, you should realize that it will be twice as expensive next month.

Beginning July 1, the commissary will charge \$10 for each returned check.

According to a recent Department of the Army news release, the increased charge is the result of rising costs for processing bad checks. Mary Thiebaut, a head cashier at the commissary, says she believes the administrative expense is even higher.

When a check is returned by the bank, the check writer is notified by letter that he has seven days to make payment. "If they take care of it in seven days, their names never go on the bad check list," said John C. Rose, commissary officer at the Presidio.

However, if that doesn't work "we attempt to contact them by phone, and if it's an active duty individual we can collect from their pay," he continued.

Compared to the problem civilian stores have, said Thiebaut, the number of returned checks at the Presidio commissary is quite low. Quoting from the first quarter report for 1980, she stated that out of 33,329 checks received, only 112 were returned, and 91 of those had been collected from the writers. Only 14 checks had to be sent to Fort Lewis for collection from the person's pay.

Thiebaut further stated that the largest number of bad checks come from retirees, followed by dependents and junior enlisted in grades E-4 and below.

Meyer

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are getting a better Army than they deserve, for the money they are paying us," Meyer pointed out that the Army had a long way to go toward reaching his objectives.

The major point of concern was a lack of cohesiveness among units. This, Meyer believes, is the result of changes made in Army life without realizing the full effects.

"Not too long ago soldiers slept together, ate together and got paid together..." They looked out after one another. . . Today, however, they are paid by a computer and there isn't much to draw them together as a unit. . .

To help restore cohesiveness Meyer is planning changes in the personnel management system which would reduce turbulence in units and in many cases allow units to rotate together.

Meyer stated that there is a growing need for more training in the Army, more professionalism and better understanding of a soldier's job, weapons and equipment.

"In 1985 an NCO is going to have to be familiar with five different types of tanks. This is going to place increasing importance on his training," Meyer emphasized.

The general stated that fewer soldiers would be going to the field in the future. "Training will be centered around the training base." Meyer feels this would improve the ability of units to

work together and the individual soldier's knowledge of his job.

The youngest man to serve as Chief of Staff, Meyer stated he has two objectives. The first, being to insure the Army is ready to go to war and the second, to create a climate within the Army where every one should reach his full potential.

The Chief of Staff said he saw the 1980's as a decade of "challenge, change, crisis, confrontation and conflict."

Pointing out that the United States has been involved in a conflict during every decade since 1940, Meyer expressed concern that the quality of the materials available to the Army is not as good as those belonging to the Soviet Union.

Meyer also stated that the 1981 budget is "inadequate" for accomplishing the modernization of the Army as rapidly as he would like to see it.

As to the future of the All-volunteer Army, Meyer said that he saw no sentiment in Congress for a return of the draft. He did say however, that the American people had to decide whether they wanted to devote the resources necessary to the success of the volunteer Army or return to conscription. **"They can't have it neither way."**

The Army's top general also pointed out that even though he is Chief of Staff of the Army he is not "Master of all the things you'd like to be master of."

There's a DEER(s) in your future

by Bob Mahoney

A new computer based system will soon become very important to all active duty and retired military personnel and their dependents and survivors.

The system, the Defense Enrollment/Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) will become effective in November and will be used to record eligibility for military health and medical care benefits, according to 1st Lt. Sheila Dominguez, DEERS project officer for the Presidio.

Although the Department of Defense wide system will not become effective until November, it is important that people enroll as soon as possible in order for the system to be efficient.

The new system is aimed at improving the management and administration of the military health care system by eliminating waste and fraudulent practices.

"Active duty soldiers and retirees are automatically enrolled in DEERS," continued Dominguez. "It's the dependents and survivors who must be actively enrolled in the system. That's what our initial campaign is designed to do."

Under the DEERS system, when a soldier or dependent seeks medical service from a Uniformed Service health care facility after Nov. 1, their eligibility can be verified by a telephone computer hook-up with the DEERS control data bank, which will be located in Monterey, Calif.

"No one will be denied care if their record isn't in the computer," added Dominguez. "It will take time for everyone to get enrolled. What will happen is that the person will be advised that enrollment is necessary. The patient will be asked to sign a statement attesting to their eligibility with a promise to repay the government if they are not eligible."

The enrollment system as projected for the Presidio is scheduled to kick off in mid to late July, according to Dominguez. "Somewhere between July 15 and July 19, enrollment packets will be sent to active duty and retiree sponsors. Shortly after that, the sponsors will receive them and we ask that they respond as quickly as possible to ensure that every one who is eligible gets into the system," said Dominguez.

"It's also important that the sponsor provide proof of eligibility of their dependent," she added. "This proof takes the form of copies of birth and marriage certificates. We emphasize that all we need to certify eligibility is a copy, **not the original.**"

The enrollment by mail system will be available through the projected starting date of Nov. 1. After that date, enrollment will be accomplished through the Identification card section of COMPACT and the Welcome Center.

By 1982, more than nine million people are expected to be enrolled in DEERS. Their eligibility for military health care benefits will be certified and entered into the computerized data bank which will track their eligibility in the future.

According to Dominguez, enrollment will be

necessary whether or not dependents presently have identification cards in their possession. New persons entering the service and their dependents will automatically be enrolled in DEERS when their ID cards are first issued.

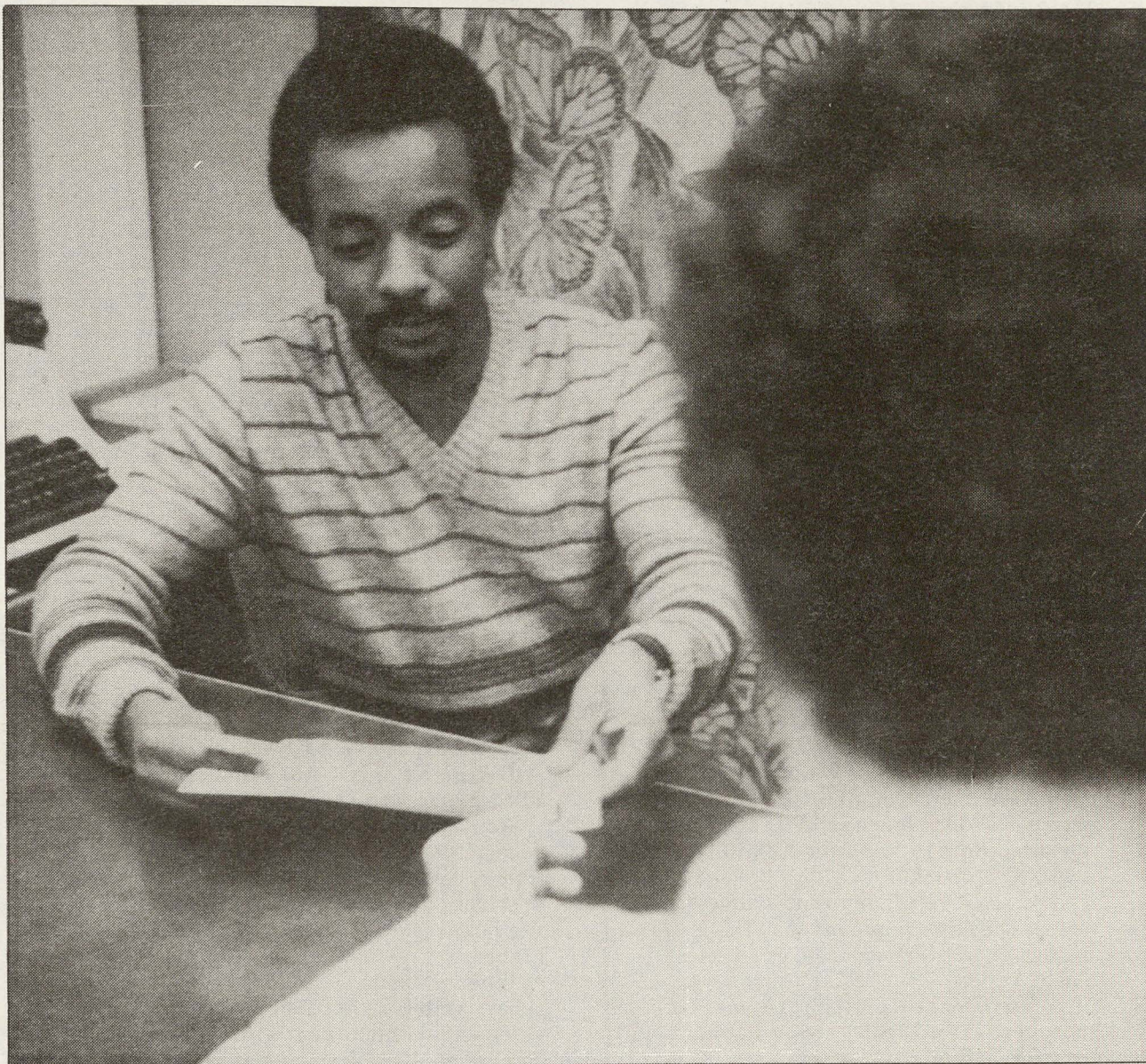
"Getting all of our military and dependent population enrolled in DEERS is a massive undertaking, but it is a necessary first step in developing an on-going, reliable register of those who, by law, are entitled to health care," she added.

In addition to reducing fraud, the DEERS will result in a number of benefits to the military community. "Right now, we don't know exactly how many people are legitimately entitled to military health care, despite all of the record keeping and files maintained by the Department

of Defense," according to Dr. Michael J. Mestrovich, director of health systems planning for DoD. "With DEERS, we will have a much improved and more accurate system for planning health care budgets, personnel requirements and facilities and thus be able to provide better medical care to the military community."

By establishing a rapid means of verifying eligibility on the spot through use of the computer data bank, fraudulent practices will be reduced and the military health care system, including direct care at military facilities and the use of CHAMPUS, will be improved, he said.

The Presidio DEERS enrollment office will be in action starting in early July in building 39. Until that time, Dominguez is available to answer questions concerning DEERS by calling 561-4405/4214/4391.



Discharging his duties

Fred Willis, a LAMC admissions clerk, checks a patient's admission papers and ID card to ensure that he is eligible for medical care benefits. The

DEER system will overhaul the hospital admissions procedure. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

LAMC child care study gets \$120,000 grant

by Jim Edwards

The Military Child Care Project, a tri-service study of child care, headed by the Letterman Army Medical Center has been awarded a \$120,000 grant by the Administration for Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) of the Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, D. C.

"This grant," according to Lou Bates of CYF "will help further the department's objectives of a network of childcare facilities. It will help continue research and consolidation of information and the sharing of that information throughout the system."

The Tri-service project here was chosen for the funding because "We want this to be a model for others to follow," says Bates. "The people here have pulled the resources together and made this possible, and we at the department of Health and Human Services wanted to help."

"The military child care system is the largest in the country," says Pat Nida, a child care con-

sultant for the project, "Parents are now demanding quality care from these facilities instead of just a place to dump your kid." Mrs. Nida has had a lot of experience with military child care projects, as she herself is a military wife and a founding member of the Military Early Childhood Alliance which began eight years ago in Seattle, Wash.

"The military still has a long way to go in child care matters," insists Mrs. Nida, but they are much more consumer oriented, and the military and civilian communities are starting to work together on providing quality care."

According to Mrs. Nida, the military has had to come to grips with the reality of child care needs because of the tremendous influx of women into the services, and the changing roles of men in relation to their children. "Four out of five single parents in the military today are male," she pointed out, "this and other changes in the military has made child care a truly mission oriented need."

"This funding will make possible the basic planning and provide resources and standards for

the military child care system," claims Dr. (Lt. Col.) Larrie Wanberg, Chief of Social Work Services at Letterman Army Medical Center. "There have been monumental advances in child care, and in July we will hold the first Army Child Care Conference at Fort Monroe, Virginia."

"The Tri-service project will involve about 1,150 kids, and the main aims of the program will be to standardize child care centers throughout the military," says Wanberg, "with all the widely scattered locations and differing local standards this will require a major shift. Especially when you consider that there are more than a million dependent children under the age of five in the military."

There are many needs for child care, experts agree, but the benefits will be tremendous. "Child care projects have broken down the barriers between the military and civilian communities, and have put down the myth that the world ends at the post gate," says Mrs. Nida, "I welcome everyone to the celebration of the start of communications."

Long hours makes 'MAME' sensational

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

As the curtains part and the lights go up, a character walks onto the stage and recites lines he or she has delivered a seeming hundred times before. For the audience the show has just begun.

But for the cast and crew of Mame at the Presidio Playhouse the show represents the end of a lot of long hours of work.

The award-winning Broadway musical opened at the playhouse June 6 and is now entering its final performances under the direction of Don Hess.

What the audience doesn't see as they watch the show are the rushed sandwiches grabbed backstage as the makeup goes on or the last-minute costume alterations to accommodate a quick change by a sweaty actor or actress.

And for every character which graces the stage there are a host of others who never catch the spotlight.

There is lighting director Eartha Knowles who stands ready in the dark to cue the beams which illuminate the action on the stage.

Or choreographer Roger Henderson who watches through the dance numbers hoping that the practiced movements are carried off with ease and grace.

And there's costume designer B.J. Fredrickson and set designer Peter Grote whose work is over when the curtains part.

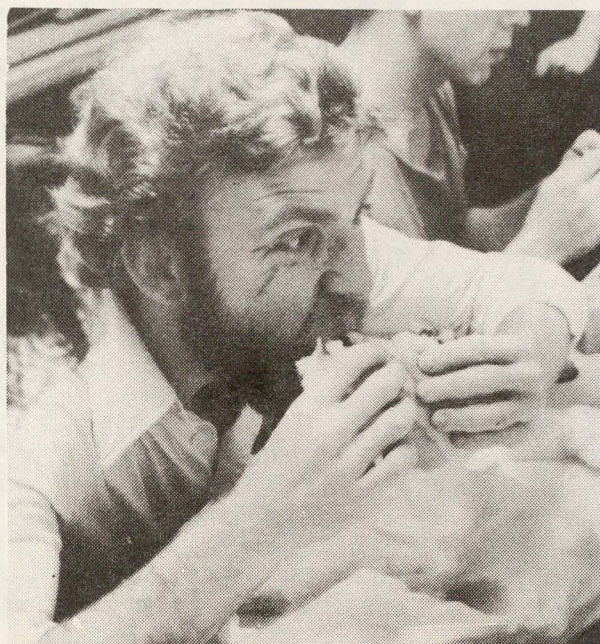
But for all the late hours in rehearsal and the hard work involved in staging a play, one veteran showman says that the applause somehow has a way of drowning out the memories of all that hard work.



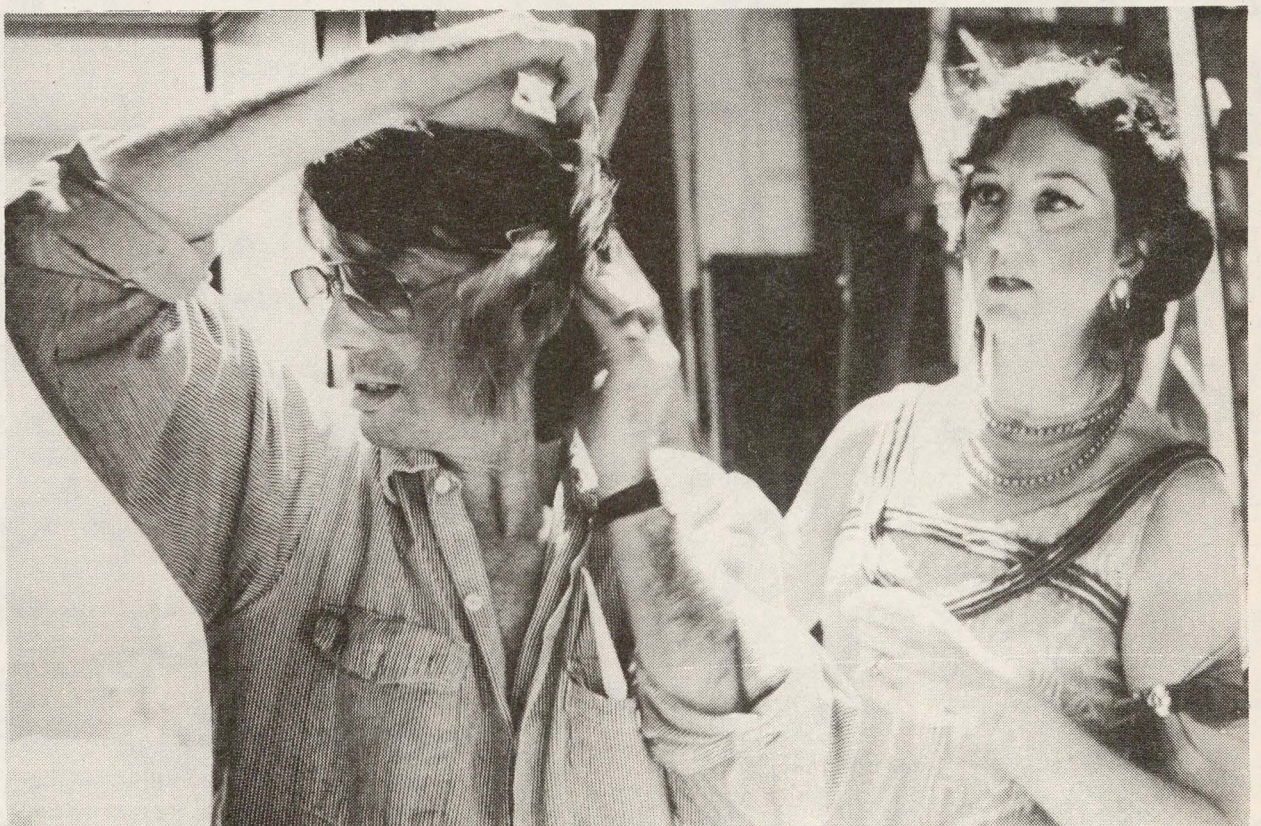
Ann Homrig-Hausen dances her way through a dress rehearsal.



Maureen McKenna limbers up.



Raynold Jablonski grabs some chow.



Choreographer Roger Henderson shows Ann Homrig-Hausen how the plume is supposed to fit.

Time to spare

MAME continues at the Presidio Playhouse tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 with active duty personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists getting a \$1 discount when presenting their ID card.

The **Russian River Country Music Festival** runs tomorrow and Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m. at Johnson's Beach in Guerneville. **Doug Kershaw**, **Jim Stafford** and **Margo Smith** are among the performers slated for this annual event. Call 835-3849 for more information.

The **Great American Music Festival** happens tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Civic Auditorium. The Tommy Dorsey and Xavier Cugat orchestras as well as Connie Haines, Andy Russel and the Pied Pipers headline the event.

Richard Petty and **Bobby Allison** are among the nationally known drivers competing this weekend in the NASCAR Winston West Series at the **Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey**. A special sprint race is scheduled for tomorrow with the 125-mile main event slated for Sunday. Tickets are available through BASS and Ticketron.

Arsenic and Old Lace opens Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Little Theater at San Francisco State as the school's creative arts department opens its summer stock season. Tickets are \$3.50.

John Stewart appears in concert at the Old Waldorf on Battery Street. Sunday at 8 and 11 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 in advance and \$8.50 at the door. Advance tickets are available through BASS outlets.

Milton Berle opens Tuesday in a six-week engagement at the **Orpheum Theater in Guys and Dolls**. Show time is 8:30 p.m. For tickets or additional information call 522-4002.

A series of ten weekly classes in **belly dancing** begins Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the **Sunset Recreation Center** at 29th Ave. and Lawton St. Cost of the course is \$25. For more information call 558-3601.

Monday the San Francisco Zoo opens its gates for free in honor of the zoological society's 26th birthday.

The **Recreation Center** is sponsoring a **Wine Country tour** tomorrow for \$10. The tour price includes bus transportation, lunch and tours of a winery, vineyard and the historic "Rhine House."

The Rec Center is also sponsoring a **tour to Marine World/Africa USA** on July 12 for \$3 per person. The tour will leave the Rec Center at 9 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. Cost of the tour includes transportation and a "Seafari Club" card good for discount admission to the park for \$15.



A bit of Japan in San Francisco

This Japanese Tea Garden in Golden Gate Park offers a fine setting for a Sunday walk. The park also offers a number of other activities including

jogging, paths, roller skating areas, art museums, flower gardens, baseball diamonds and lush green areas. (Photo by Tina Juber)

Another Rec Center tour is planned for **July 19 to Marriott's Great America**. For \$10 participants get round trip bus transportation as well as park admission. For more information on any of the Rec Center tours call 561-2000 after 2 p.m.

The Exploratorium is offering a variety of science classes for both adults and children. Classes will be held July 8 to Aug. 12 and range from basic electricity and electronics to a course in computer language. For a full list of courses available contact Susan Sherman at 563-7337.

The outdoor recreation now has a variety of places to go, to spend your leisure time.

A condominium, located on North Shore, Alpine Meadows, is ideal for winter skiing,

spring and summer hiking and fishing in the Truckee River, or just relaxing and enjoying the quietness away from the hustle and bustle of city noise. Everything is furnished. All you need to take is your family, and what-ever you plan to consume while enjoying your vacation.

The center also has two houses located at South Shore near the main part of town, and close to the lake. A vacation of show, sight seeing, boating, camping, and when mother nature covers the mountains with snow, Heavenly Valley ski area is close by. Parks for picnicing, walking or hiking are nearby. An evening of dining is within walking distance.

For information or reservations call 561-4324 or come by your Outdoor Recreation Center, bldg. 92.



What kind of name is this?

Allen Dorak Jr., and Jimmy Kazmierczak work on patrol reports during a recent Boy Scout meeting.

Troop 77 is in need of a scout master and someone to take the youngsters to camp.

Boy Scouts need help

Boy Scout Troop 77 is looking for a volunteer to take several scouts to a high adventure camp in New Mexico from July 19 to Aug. 2.

The 11 to 12 scouts needing the volunteer are over 14 years old and have attained the rank of first class.

The trip to "Camp Philmont" will give the scouts a variety of activities including mountain climbing and rappelling, marksmanship, horseback riding as well as allowing them to practice camping and backpacking skills.

Volunteers should have camping and backpacking experience as the trip to Philmont involves a 75 mile hike into and out of the camp.

Transportation and camping fees for the volunteer will be paid by the troop. For more information or to volunteer contact scoutmaster Darin Roberts at 561-4444 (duty) or 751-1420 (home) or Col. C. Kat-suyoshi scout committee chairman, at 561-4142 or 561-2774.

Sports

Transfer Point dumps '76ers' in opener

The Presidio Summer Basketball League got underway, with six teams taking to the hardwood for a season of roundball action. The six teams, formed from a pool of die-hard basketball players, from units throughout the Presidio and Oakland also include a few DAC's in the league roster.

In the first night action, the "Champions" sparked by team captain **Henry Dillard**, Oakland Army Base Transfer Point, ran over the "76'ers", 78-64. Dillardl, scored 25 points for the

winners. **C.J. Bradshaw**, INSCOM, scored 19 points in a losing cause.

The "Lakers," captained by Sixth Army's **Robert Clipper**, had four players in double figures with **John Thomas**, of the 170th MP Co. pacing the way, scoring 22 points. **Ron Lewis**, 170th MP Co., scored 30 points for the losers.

The "Travelers," captained by **Rich Jacobs**, 51st Engineers, was no match for the "Hawks," well-balanced attack kept the game out of reach.

scoring 74 points against 58 for the "Travelers".

Action in the Summer Basketball Program takes place each Tuesday and Thursday at Post Gym No. 1, with game times at 1730, 1830 and 1930 hours.

Other game results are as follows:

76'ers	51	Bullets	44
Champions	66	Travelers	25
Lakers	39	Hawks	36

Presidians to run 3.1 miles Saturday for AER

A 3.1 mile race will be held June 21 to benefit the Army Emergency Relief Fund.

The race will begin at 9 a.m. in front of post gym number one at Lincoln and Funston Ave. A \$5 entrance fee will be collected during registration from 7:30-8:45 a.m.

Free refreshments and age group awards for the top three finishers in each division.

The AER assists soldiers and their families in times of financial need. It also provides assistance in the form of scholarships and grants to

deserving dependents so that they can attend college.

The fund is supported solely by the donations of active duty soldiers and concerned civilians and retirees.

For more information about the race contact Mr. Bob Darling at 561-4120.

Ki-Aikido demo set

There will be an exhibition of Ki-Aikido, a form of self-defense techniques and Martial Arts by members of the Bay Area Ki Research Society and Institute June 24 at noon in Post Gym No. 1.

The exhibition is for the benefit of military personnel and dependents who are interested in learning and practicing the art and techniques of Ki-Aikido.

The exhibition will be led by Mr. Hideki Shiohira, a fourth degree Black Belt and Chief instructor of the institute. Everyone is invited to attend. Personnel interested in forming an Aikido Club are asked to contact Lou Decena 561-6087.



I hope he's going to stop

Rozelle Joyner of the Four Seasons team heads for home while Yerba Buena catcher Joe Buonaiuto

guards the plate during recent softball action at Fort Scott. Joyner was safe on the play.

Bicycle rodeo set for July 3

A bicycle rodeo will be held July 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. as part of a Boy Scout project.

The rodeo, being coordinated by 14 year old Brian Russo, will be held behind the Military Police Station on Lincoln Blvd.

According to Russo, son of Brig. Gen. Vincent Russo, former Oakland Army Base commander, the rodeo is designed to get people on post to register their bicycles with the Provost Marshal's vehicle registration office.

"I have been reading about the rising number of bicycle thefts on post. I know that if you register your bicycle you have a better chance of recovering it if it is stolen," Russo explained.

A member of Presidio scout troop 77, Russo is undertaking the project as part of the requirement to make "Eagle Scout."

If he is successful, Russo will be one of the youngest scouts to obtain that rank.

Another Presidio scout, Todd Ansbacher is also attempting to make the grade at age 13.

The rodeo will feature a complete safety check of all bicycles by the Military Police.

Engineer units battle it out, but Doctors remain on top of softball league

In one of the best games played this year in the Presidio Intramural Softball League, the "race horses" of the 864th Engineers, battled the fighting 51st Engineers for nine full innings, to take a 18-17 victory.

LAMC No. 2, the hottest team in the league continued their winning streak as they defeated LAIR No. 2, 7-3 and then bombed LAMC Admin. 26-3.

The "Doctors" improved their league standings to 10 wins and 1 loss, to retain the top position in the league by beating Sixth Army, 13-7 and LAMC No. 1 14-6.

USAG, fighting to keep pace with leaders, annihilated DIO 22-5.

Other game results are as follows:

USACC	22	vs.	DIO	2
Four Seasons	9	vs.	Coast Guard	5
LAIR No. 1	18	vs.	FBI	10
LAMC No. 1	20	vs.	LAIR No.2	4

163rd MP CO	15	vs.	170th MP CO	7
Attorneys	16	vs.	666th Radar	6
Sixth Army	10	vs.	LAMC, Admin.	0
Coast Guard	7	vs.	FBI	0
PHS	14	vs.	LAIR No. 2	1

League standings for the week are as follows:

Team	Won	Loss
Doctors	10	1
LAMC No. 2	8	1
USAG	8	2
864th Engineers	5	2
666th Radar	7	3
Coast Guard	5	3
6th Army	4	3
51st Engineers	5	4
Public Health	5	4
170th MP CO	6	5
Four Seasons	6	6
Attorneys	5	5
163rd MP CO	5	5
LAIR No. 1	4	4
LAMC, Admin.	4	5
USACC	3	6
Service Station	2	6
LAMC No. 1	1	8
LAIR No. 1	0	9

Presidio News Notes

Winners named

Four Presidians are \$25 richer after winning the 1980 Energy Conservation poster contest.

Mr. Michael Ansiello of DIO, **Ms. Frances Boyd** of CPO, **Mrs. Eilene Craig** and **Ms. Cecilia Anderson** of DPCA took home Energy Bonds for their efforts.

The contest, sponsored by the Incentive Awards Office of CPO, was held to develop materials to promote energy conservation on post, according to Mrs. Barbara Eckstrom.

Winners were selected on a weekly basis by a panel of judges consisting of Ms. Stephanie McCann of LAMC, Mr. L.D. Bowen of DPCA, Ms. Shirley Small of DPTSEC, and Mr. John Martinez of the Arts and Craft shop.

The posters were judged on their support of the theme, impact, visual appeal and applicability.

Hat policy unchanged

Male officers who were hoping for a more liberal service or saucer cap wear policy lost out on that request. The policy remains unchanged.

Male officers must wear the service cap when wearing the green uniform jacket. Only those male officers traveling, or with an active airborne or air assault unit may wear the overseas cap (Garrison cap) with their green uniform coat.

Also, when wearing the tan uniform or the gray-green service shirt as an outer garment, male officers may wear either the overseas cap or the service cap.

Reading club planned

Summer is here again and it is time to join the Presidio Post Library System's Summer Reading Club "Historical Tour of the Presidio." Reading and book reporting are just a part of the program. Meeting new friends, field trips, parties, games and prizes are all part of the activities.

All military dependents of the Presidio community in grades 1 through 8 are invited to join. Registration will be conducted June 24 through July 8, 1980, at the Main Post Library, building 386.

The reading club begins July 8 and ends on

August 15. Two books must be read and reported on each week for a total of twelve books for the summer.

Books must be checked out from the Post Library System. Don't miss the tour! Call the post library at 561-3448/5037 for more information on the summer reading club.

Deadline set

The deadline for entries to the Interservice Photography Contest is fast approaching, according to Dave Black, head of the Presidio's photo craft shop.

The Presidio coordinator for the competition, Black says that entries must reach him no later than 9 p.m. on July 11 to be considered by the judges. The judging takes place July 12 and winners will be announced immediately.

The contest is open to all personnel on active duty for more than 90 days, retirees, dependents and Department of the Army civilians. Reservists may also enter as long as their photographs were taken while on active duty or in an inactive training status.

The contest starts with post-level judging. Winners are forwarded to FORSCOM competition and any entries that places there are then sent on to the all-Army contest. Those winners are entered in the interservice competition.

Competition is divided into three groups including black and white and color prints as well as color slides. For more information or entry forms contact Dave Balck at the photo craft shop at 561-3445/4497.

Sign up for class

Registration for DYA summer classes will be held June 30 through July 3 at the Log Cabin.

Classes will include arts and crafts, tennis, basic auto repair, gymnastics, tap dance, and Red Cross swim lessons.

Classes will begin the week of July 7 and run for six weeks.

Youths wanted

If you are between the ages of 15 and 18, looking for an exciting summer, call the Red Cross Volunteer Office at 561-2187 and ask for more information about our Summer Youth Program.

Hart chess champ

Col. Rufus R. Hart of Readiness Region IX captured first place in the Presidio Recreation Center's chess tournament held Saturday and Sunday. PFC Stephen F. Hart of LAIR placed second and Capt. Paul Benson of LAMC and Sp5 Kenneth Randolph of Hamilton tied for third.

The tournament was conducted by Mike Goodall, chessmaster and chairman of the Northern California Chess Association.

Hart, Petty and Benson will be nominated to compete in the All-Army Chess Tournament at Fort Meade, Md.

Photo course ready

A beginners photo course is scheduled to start June 26 at 6:30 at the Presidio craft shop. The cost for the class is \$4 which includes lectures and lab fees as well as a Saturday field trip. For more information call Dave Black at the photo lab 561-3445.

Chess club to form

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring a chess club with the first meeting slated for July 17. The club plans to meet weekly for classes and instruction as well as guest speakers. For further information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m.

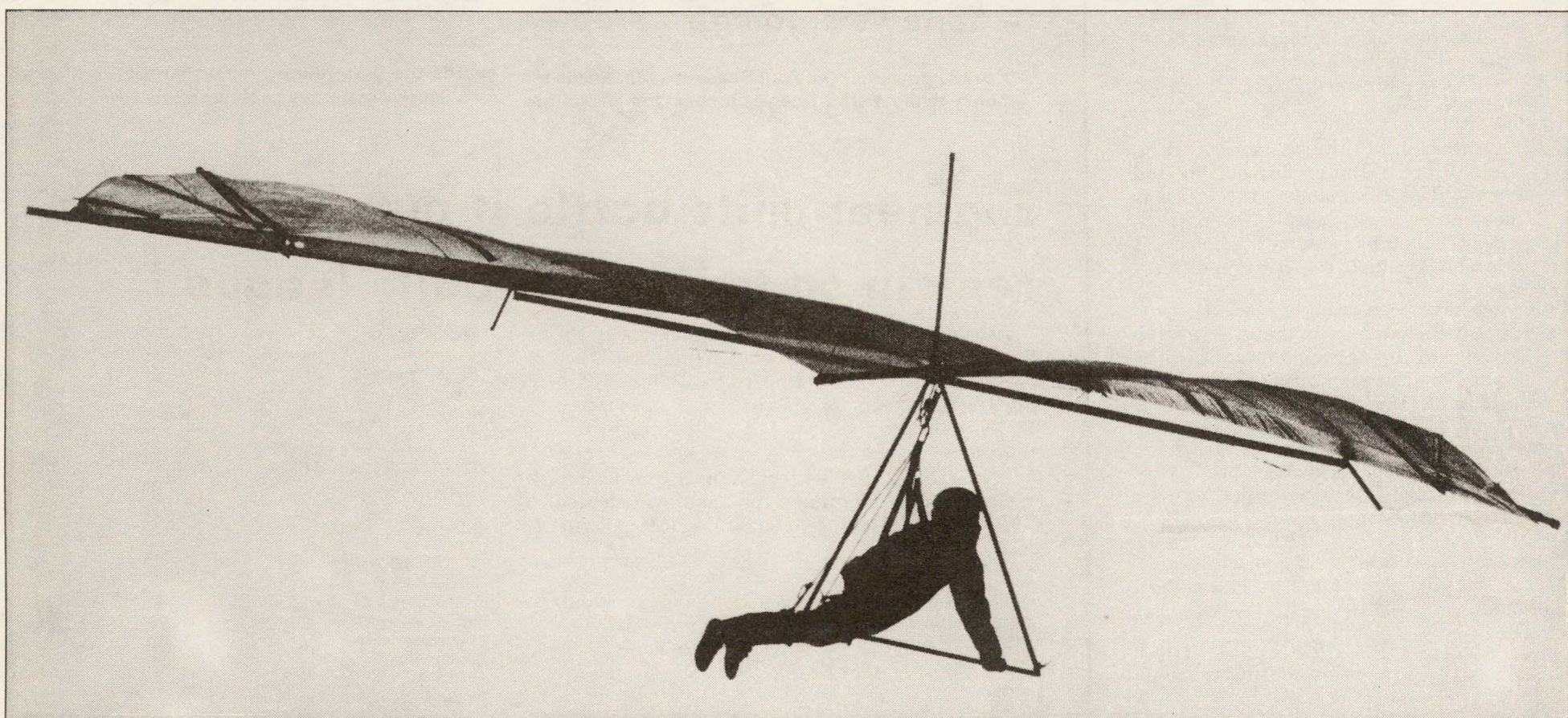
No sale

The **Star Presidian** has been receiving a number of phone calls from persons desiring to place ads in the newspaper or Weekly Bulletin.

Since this is an Army authorized newspaper, **we accept no advertising.** All personal items to be sold must be directed to the Weekly Bulletin which is published by the Presidio Adjutant's Office.

The adjutant's office is located in the basement of building 220, post headquarters. For information on how to place an item in the bulletin call Mrs. Eilene Craig at 561-2045.

Articles on unit, agency or club activities can be submitted to the Star Presidian newsroom, in building 37 for consideration.



Fly like an eagle

A lone hang glider floats through the air. For capturing this human bird, John Green has been

honored with the Photo of the Week. The Star Presidian is looking for your photo to fill this

space. If you have a picture you'd like to see here, bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

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Pershing area clean-up ordered

by Tom Tiernan

Residents of the Pershing Housing area maybe receiving some not so-nice letters from the Family Housing Office if they don't clean up their yards.

According to Mr. W.H. Prugh, deputy director of DIO, the Family Housing Office will be issuing letters to senior occupants whose areas are in need of yard work.

"Recently it has come to our attention that the Park Presidio apartments are deteriorating," states Prugh, explaining the stricter enforcement of post policy.

"Each occupant is issued, in writing, his responsibilities toward maintaining the area when he signs for his quarters. So this isn't a new policy."

Occupants are expected to keep the grass cut, trash picked up, and the lawns watered according to housing regulation.

When areas don't comply with the regulation, then a letter will be issued to the senior occupant so he can get his fellow residents together to clean up the area.

If the corrections are not made in a reasonable amount of time, then the area monitor is called into the situation.

If the area monitor is unable to get the resident to assist in the effort, then officials from the Housing Office, and DIO will be contacting him.

"If we in DIO are unable to get the occupant to correct the situation, a letter from the post commander will be sent through command channels to the individual," Prugh explains. "If the individual is stationed on a ship, the letter will be sent through the Navy channels to him."

Among the punitive measures available to the post commander is **having someone removed from their quarters** if they fail to take the corrective action.

In most cases, the corrective action involves nothing more than throwing out some grass seed and fertilizer and watering the yard.

These materials can be obtained from the self help store located near the post commissary.

"We aren't asking people to break their picks and become gardeners," emphasizes Prugh. "All we are asking is for them to take care of their yards."

Prugh added that the Family Housing Office realizes the problems that the Pershing residents face with the sandy soil, but points out that others have been able to maintain nice grassy yards.

"Those residents who don't know their senior occupant should call Mary Kline at 561-2040 to get that information," Prugh concluded.



The happy gardener

Mrs. Gail Preso pulls weeds from the flower garden at her quarters on Stilwell Road. By making use of supplies available from the Self Help Store and investing a few dollars for flowers, Mrs.

Presto and her husband, SSgt. L. Presto of the 864th Engineers turned their front yard from a virtual sand dune into a nice green lawn. (Photo by Jon Chelgren).

Post's Fourth of July salute set

Huge traffic jams and jams and plenty of activities is the forecast as the Presidio and the city of San Francisco gear up to celebrate the Fourth of July next Friday.

According to 1st Lt. William Foster of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office, 70 to 80 thousand people are expected to converge on the post next Friday evening to watch the city's main fireworks display at Crissy Field.

Foster, who will field 100 MPs to deal with the traffic, advises Presidians to walk to the display if at all possible to alleviate traffic congestion. He expects most of the off-post traffic to hit the post around 8:30 p.m. for the **9 p.m. fireworks show**.

Long before the fireworks, however, there will be plenty of activities to enjoy. The Golden Gate National Recreation Area

is sponsoring festivities at **Crissy Field** during the day. Beginning at **noon** there will be **arts and crafts displays, games and live entertainment**.

Also at **noon**, the Presidio will officially commemorate Independence Day with a fifty-gun "Salute to the Union" from a battery of howitzers positioned at **Pershing Square**.

The Presidio Museum has planned to open two new exhibits on Friday. Beginning at **11:30 a.m.**, the public is invited to view "**An Army Wedding in Crocker Parlor**," a life-size display depicting the wedding of Capt Edie, commander of LAMC during World War I. The exhibit is complete with Victorian antiques and stained glass from the Templeton Crocker mansion.

Another exhibit honoring **Eadweard**

Muybridge, a California and San Francisco motion picture pioneer. A collection of his works from 1869 showing views of the Presidio and surrounding area opens Friday for a six month display.

Both the Officers' Club and the NCO Club are also planning Fourth of July festivities. The O'Club is holding a mid-year "**New Year's Eve Special**" on Thursday evening. The evening features dinner and dancing to the sounds of the Jimmy Blass Orchestra.

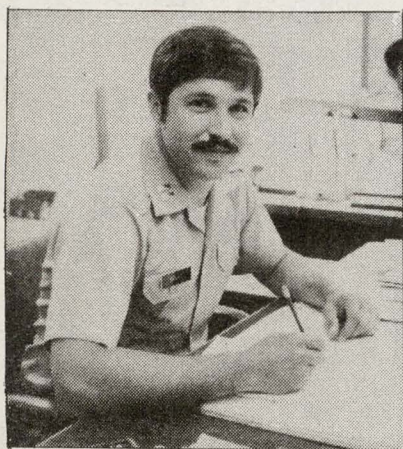
The NCO Club is holding an **open house** beginning at **11 a.m.** Friday. Outside free activities include **children's horse car and train rides, clowns and games**, while inside **three bands** will be performing from 2 p.m to 5 a.m. for a \$3 cover charge.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

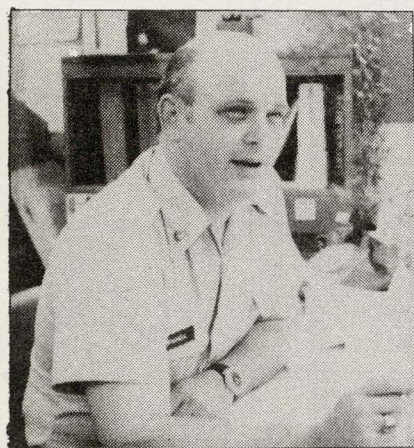
What would make you stay in the Army?

Betty Jo Burns, SATO Agent—"I would say not too well. I don't think the bus service lends very well to non-use of cars to get to work. I would say the only thing the city does is take very good advantage of a beautiful place."



Capt. Robert D. Foley, OSI—"My observation of the support rendered to the Presidio by the residents of San Francisco is pretty much limited to the taverns that I frequent. Nobody hates me because I'm a GI. People are very interested. They wonder what uniform that is."

Mrs. Elvira S. Jimenez, Sixth Army—"Well, not too long ago it was in the news that they wanted to close the post and the mayor went to Washington to talk against that."



Sp5 Richard McManigal, OSI—"I don't think they are supportive or non-supportive. Most of them don't even know we're here. We don't amount to enough people to make an impact on a city of 750,000. We're just not that visible."

Sp4 Jan Holloway, Transportation—"I don't think they really support too much. Half this city doesn't even know there's an Army post here. Presidio? Where's that?"



Reserves are ready

For the past two weeks the Star Presidian has received the assistance of two Army reservists from the 6211th U.S. Army Garrison.

SSgt. Johnnie Powell and Sp4 Kay Allen have been lending a hand writing articles and performing other tasks for the newspapers.

As is the case with many of our counterparts throughout the active reserves we have found these soldiers to be highly trained, motivated and dedicated to the task of getting the job done while learning all they can.

Too often those of us on active duty tend to look down our noses at our fellow soldiers in reserve units. Because they are only "part-time" soldiers we feel that they aren't good enough to work along side of us.

If the other members of the U.S. Army Reserve and National Guard

are as talented and dedicated as the two soldiers we have had the pleasure to work with this week, our counterparts can certainly be counted on in the event of mobilization.

It is true that these soldiers don't know everything that those of us on active duty have learned throughout the year. They are, however, willing and able to learn those things they do not pick up in the regular training.

If our Army is to succeed in the years ahead, we must learn to depend upon the reserves and National Guard. We must also be willing to share our experience and knowledge with these soldiers so that they can pull their load if we ever go to war again.

The Star Presidian staff

Is this the Army?

As an officer on this post, I am appalled at the military bearing that I am forced to confront on a daily basis.

When you come to work in the morning, all you see are a group of soldiers with hands in their pockets, unzipped field jackets, no brass, unshined boots, no headgear and unbuttoned shirts. Senior NCO's and officers have hands in their pockets as well, and on some occasions no headgear.

Of course, the question is brought to mind, is this what makes a soldier? The answer is yes. Granted, the soldier won't be less intelligent or brighter, but it does indicate the lack of supervision, discipline, motivation and most of all professionalism.

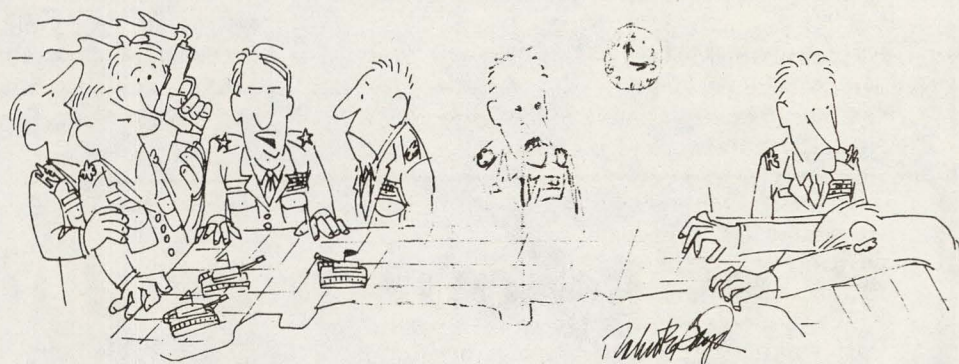
Maybe the U.S. Army is not everybody's favorite place. I never knew it as a place of glamour and a dress-as-you-please organization. I always thought the Army was organized for one purpose—defense

of our nation. In order to be effective to that end, the Army must have guidelines chain of command and discipline or disband and go home.

If we as supervisors and individuals within this war machine can't put military bearing in proper perspective as to its potential effect on a battlefield, or in a war-time situation, then something is wrong.

I consider apathy toward proper military bearing as an indicator that no one is concerned about the military service; it owes us, why give it anything. Everyday this is being said. I see it and it is depressing. The public, I'm sure sees us as a bunch of rejects, slob, who are wearing military uniforms with overgrown hair, and have no set standard or uniformity and perhaps wonder, is this an organized military unit? I wonder myself, and that scares me.

Capt. Robert Arosteguy
Commander HQ CO. USAG



"Hold it right there, Sorenson!"

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PX shoflifters are robbing you

by Jon Chelgren

In these days of inflation, everyone seems to be looking for ways to beat the high cost of living.

One good way **NOT** to save money is to shoplift at the Presidio exchange.

According to exchange manager, Mrs. Sandy Bourne, 10 to 15 persons are caught every month lifting items ranging in value from \$1 to \$50. On a monthly basis, she says, exchange reports show a \$250 to \$3000 loss through shoplifting.

The most common items taken are cosmetics and lady's hose, says Mrs. Bourne.

The effects of that stealing, she explains, is that, "When people steal from the exchange they're stealing from themselves since our profits are turned back into moral support funds."

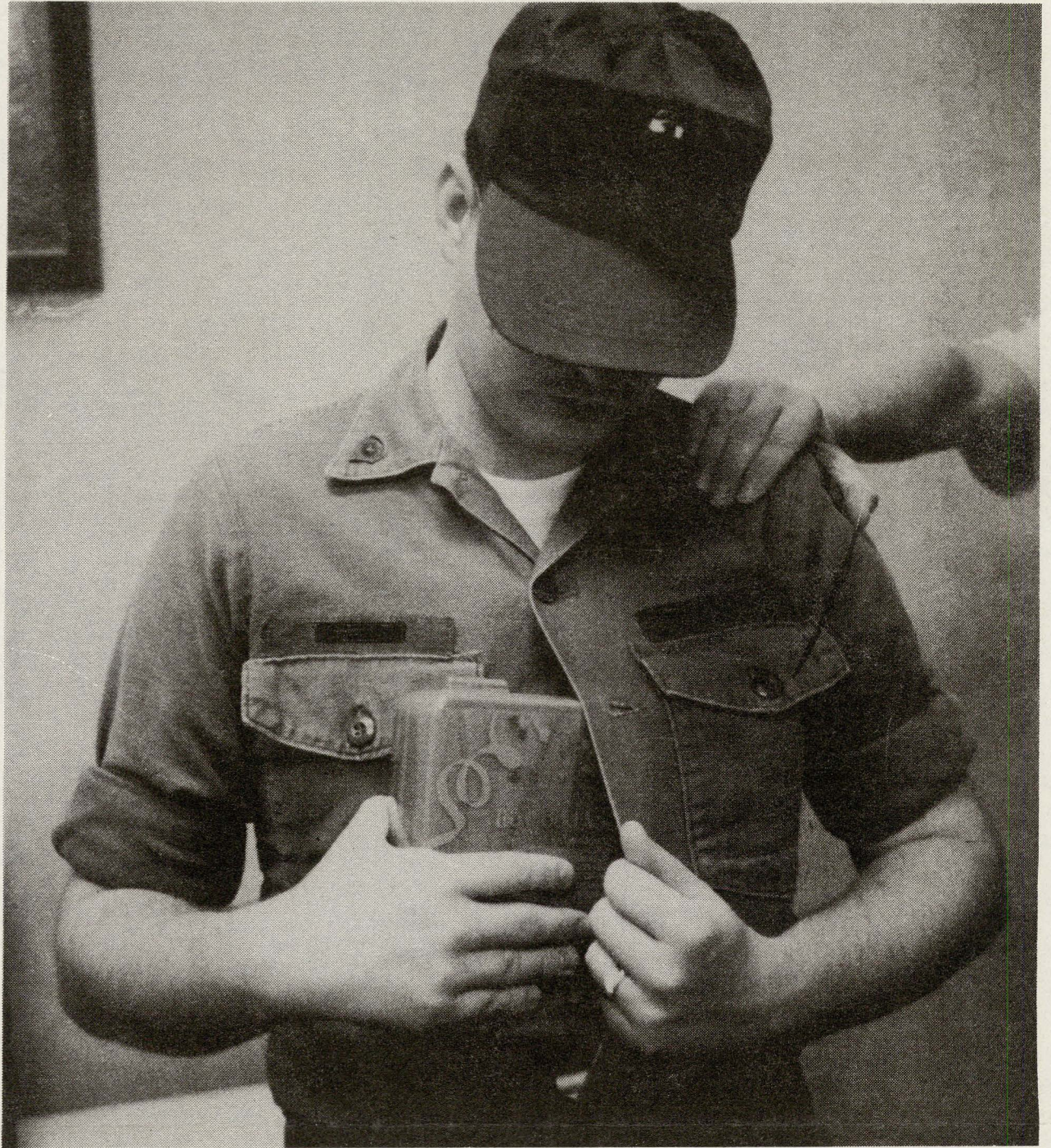
Millions given for morale

Over the past ten years, Army and Air Force Exchange System donations to the post morale support fund have totalled between four and five million dollars. Those contributions have been used for such things as construction of a new post gym, improvements to the Fort Scott baseball field, the arts and crafts center, and resurfacing of the post tennis courts.

As a guard against shoplifters, Mrs. Bourne says the exchange employs store detectives to keep an eye on customers. But she notes that "they can't watch everybody."

She cites national statistics which claim that for every shoplifter a merchant catches, five go free.

A comparison of figures from the exchange and the Presidio Provost Marshal's office show that this may be the case here. MP figures show that only \$407 in stolen merchandise was recovered from Jan. 1 through June 11. If PX averages are accurate, between \$800 and \$1600 was stolen during the same period.



Stiff penalties

For those caught, punishments vary. If the shoplifter is a dependent—whom Mrs. Bourne says make up the bulk of the cases—or a civilian, the suspect is held for the MPs. The MPs cite the individual who then must appear in court before a federal magistrate on a charge of petty theft.

When a dependent is caught shoplifting, their sponsor also receives a letter from the post com-

Caught red handed

This soldier is caught in the act of shoplifting by one of the PX's detectives. Shoplifting in the PX not only causes prices to rise but also takes

money away from funds provided to morale and support activities which are paid out of AAFES dividends. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Active duty shoplifters are released to their units to face disciplinary action under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice.

Robert Wagner dies

by Johnnie Powell

Mr. Robert H. Wagner, age 62, administrative services assistant for the Directorate Nov. 1973, he worked in a temporary position with the quarterly West Point

Prior to coming to work at DPTSEC in November 1973, he worked in a temporary position with the quarterly West Point Physical Aptitude Examination board.

Wagner was described in an Outstanding Performance nomination written by Lt. Col. William L. Lam, former Deputy DPTSEC, as an employee who "demonstrates a thoroughly grounded knowledge in staff procedures, Army regulations, security requirements and established policies. Applies his knowledge better than any administrative officers that I've known."

"This whole post is going to miss him, he was the best horse trader we have ever had," says Mrs. Florence M. Sheean, secretary to the DPTSEC since 1969.

Others like Mrs. Jean La Tour, schools officer, remembers him as "always being pleasant; always eager to help people—he enjoyed life. He was an outdoorsman, he liked to go out and hunt rattle snakes and camp in the desert."

Still others in the office knew him as a person readily pointing out historical parts of the Presidio.

After serving in the Army as an enlisted man with the field artillery and horse cavalry, Wagner was commissioned as AG officer and retired in 1967 as a lieutenant colonel.

Wagner was a member of the Fort Scott Kansas Scottish Rite Lodge, the Blue Lodge, the Retired Officers Association and the Presidio Golf Club.

Wagner is survived by his wife, Doris, two daughters Betty Campbell and Linda Krauss, and son, Robert M. Wagner.

Lt. Col. Donald R. Sims, Director of DPTSEC, refers to Wagner as "a very outstanding employee. He could be completely depended upon to take all the necessary actions without any supervision. He knew his job from A to Z.

"He operated in a splendid fashion. He left nothing undone that he should have already taken care of. He was respected by everyone." Sims concluded.

Disease fatal to puppies in Bay Area

A new, potentially fatal disease among dogs has made its appearance in the Bay Area.

According to Col. Ronald O. Anderson, of the Veterinary Activities, the disease, canine parvoviral enteritis, has a high death rate among puppies eight to 16 weeks old.

Symptoms of the disease include depression and loss of appetite, fever, vomiting and diarrhea which has a very distinctive odor.

"Dog owners who recognize these symptoms should not hesitate to take their pet to a civilian veterinarian, as the animal will require intensive care," warns Anderson.

Animals can be effectively immunized against the disease. However, since the disease appears to have no affect on public health, animals can not receive routine immunizations against the virus at the post vet facility.

Anderson states that since only a few sporadic cases of the disease have been reported in the Bay Area, pet owners should not be overly concerned. But those persons being sent to Panama are encouraged to have their dogs vaccinated against the disease.



A 1906 tent city

Rows of tents filled almost every vacant spot on the Presidio following the 1906 earthquake and

fire. In addition to housing the homeless, Presidio soldiers saved the city from destruction by

dynamiting buildings during the fire. The mutual friendship and support continues to this day.

Is San Francisco an Army brat?

by Tom Tiernan

If you call the child of a soldier an Army brat, what do you call the offspring of a military base? In 1776 they called it Yerba Buena. In 1980 they call it San Francisco.

San Francisco was founded June 27, 1776 as part of the Spanish efforts to establish military positions in California.

According to Mr. Eric Saul, curator of the Presidio Army Museum, Spain's Lieutenant Colonel Juan Bautista de Anza with a small party which included 11 soldiers and a friar left Monterey on March 23, 1776 with instructions to select sites for a presidio, a walled fort, a mission and a town.

The explorers arrived four days later and camped near what is now Mountain Lake.

Site selected for fort

The following morning Anza selected the headland, now Fort Point as the natural site for a castillo or fort to control entrance to San Francisco Bay.

Anza and his assistant Lieutenant Jose Moraga then selected the area which now includes Pershing Square, the Officers' Club, Our Lady of the Chapel and the BOQ as the site for the presidio.

The site was chosen because of the abundance of timber, several springs, good farm land and adequate pastures.

Anza and his party then selected a tract of land several miles to the southeast as the location for a mission.

Returned June 27

The group soon returned to Monterey but on June 17 Moraga left to return to the site with a party of 13 soldiers, their families, several families of settlers and two friars. Ten days later they arrived.

The party camped at the creek Laguna de los Dolores to await the arrival of the supply ship San Carlos.

In the months ahead the settlers established a mission, the Mission Dolores, the presidio and a pueblo or town which grew up to become San Francisco.

As the Presidio grew so did the city. In 1835 the Spanish abandoned the presidio and moved it northward to Sonoma.

Named for Saint Francis

As the occupation of the Presidio changed from the Spanish to the Mexicans and eventually to the Americans so did the make up of the city of Yerba Buena which was eventually renamed after Saint Francis of Assisi.

For nearly a hundred years the Presidio and the city went their separate ways until the 1860s when the post was upgraded to protect the city from possible attack by Confederate or British soldiers.

In 1906 the soldiers of the Presidio came to the rescue of the city. Under the direction of Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, the soldiers went to work blowing up buildings in order to stop the fire which threatened to destroy the city following the massive earthquake.

In addition to stopping the fire the soldiers set-up tents on the golf course for the thousands of homeless San Franciscans.

Presidio land used

By 1915, San Francisco had recovered sufficiently from the earthquake and fire to host the 1915 World's Fair. According to Saul more than 25 percent of the land on which the event was held belonged to the government. Included was the area where the Palace of Fine Arts is now located.

In the past 65 years, the Presidio has been the victim subject of three closure studies most of which have been opposed by the city.

The latest study into possible closure of the Presidio ended in December 1979 when the Department of the Army decided to maintain the "status quo."

The study which lasted almost two years caused a great deal of concern about the city administration.

Letter sent to Sec. Army

On March 16, 1979, Mayor Dianne Feinstein sent a letter to the Secretary of the Army outlining some of her reasons why the post should not be moved to Treasure Island or Fort Ord.

Foremost in the mayor's mind was, "Where will the Army be when the next earthquake comes?"

Feinstein wrote, "Although I am not an expert in military planning, I believe that the Island (Treasure) and its approaches are excessively vulnerable to natural disaster and civil disturbances. **Therefore, I am concerned about the ability of the Sixth Army to conduct its mission of Bay Area disaster relief operations.** The citizens of the Bay Area depend upon the Presidio facilities as a major command headquarters for civilian military activities during the first 24 hours and weeks following a major earthquake or civilian disturbance. . .

"The closure of Letterman would also have a significant adverse impact on the city's ability to provide emergency medical care following a major earthquake. If this action is taken in conjunction with the relocation of Sixth Army to Treasure Island, our citizens will be in a rather precarious position following a serious earthquake: the military headquarters for disaster relief would be stranded on Treasure Island, and the nearest military emergency medical facility would be across the Bay, with no land access."

Of course the city receives other benefits from the Presidio's presence.

Millions spent for fuel

Last year more than \$4 million was spent for gas and electricity. That figure will cross the \$5 million mark this year.

Upon completion of the city's new sewer system the post will be paying tens of thousands of dollars for sewage collection from the Pershing Housing Area which now costs \$5,508 a year.

Even with the Presidential hiring freeze, the post employs more than 2,800 civilians. Together with the 2,900 soldiers the post's payroll last month topped \$7.8 million, a large portion of which was spent in the city.

Nearly \$14 million more is spent contracting for services and equipment with a large percentage of it going to San Francisco businesses.

Post is historical

The historic significance of the post makes it a natural field trip for many San Francisco school children studying California history. Last year more than 4,500 visitors received tours of the post's historical and ecology trails as well as the Presidio Army Museum.

Another 20,000 persons participated in six major charity races which were either held on or ran through the post.

The city receives many other benefits from the post's location in the area. But they also provide bennies to the soldiers stationed here.

Thousands of Presidio children attend San Francisco schools. Many businesses offer special military discounts. A good working relationship has been maintained between the military police and the San Francisco Police Department and the San Francisco and Presidio Fire departments.

The biggest benny, probably and the most overlooked, is the city itself. The wide cultural heritage of the city, its scenic beauty and the generally good relationship between the post and the city makes the Presidio one of the Army's most sought after assignments.

As to the future relationship between the post and the city, Feinstein commented, "There is a genuine and continuing need to maintain and even improve the relationship between the Presidio and the city and county of San Francisco. The Presidio plays a vital role in San Francisco because it is one of our major employers, it's a critical link in our plans for emergency services in the event of a major disaster and it also provides medical research at Letterman hospital which benefits all San Franciscans.

"I have worked hard to keep the Presidio in San Francisco because I believe in the enormous contributions it makes to the welfare of our city. I certainly plan to work closely with Colonel Hall to shape a sound and effective partnership with the Presidio during the 1980s."

Throughout the past 205 years the Presidio and the city of San Francisco have grown up side by side yet each going its own way. But they have never forgotten that they share the same birthright.

No images for Peter Ustinov



by Jim Edwards

"I am consistent enough to be inconsistent, and whatever the real Peter Ustinov is, he is not an image.

"Frankly, I don't give a damn about images. If the man in the mirror becomes more important than the man looking back at him, then he may as well cease all activity."

So began the most interesting and informative interview with a true veteran of Hollywood, Peter Ustinov.

Ustinov and several other film notables were visiting the Presidio during the filming of "Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Lady," a major motion picture in the making, and he took the opportunity to talk about images, his career, and his world.

"I think the concept of images is the worst invention of this century," he continued, "and I don't have time for it."

A popular performer, Peter Ustinov is best known for his acting, but he is also a gifted writer, with several plays, novels, and screen plays behind him. He attributes his start in writing, oddly enough, to his experience in the Army in England.

"I had my start in acting before the war. With the war, I entered the Army. The Army was probably my longest role. I had a four year run in a very bad part, very underpaid, but I found time to write occasionally. I had already written two plays, but I really started developing as a writer in the Army."

What did he do during the war in the Army? "I was a private in the infantry. Need I say more? But despite the fact that I remained a private throughout the four years, I had a very interesting war."

"I was once given a pass by David Niven, who was a colonel, that said 'This man can do anything and go anywhere in the course of his duties.' It brought forth some very, very choice obscenities from the lips of military policemen who asked to see my pass. It taught me a whole new vocabulary."

What views of life and the world has such a wealth of experience gained him?

"I am an internationalist. I find it all very frightening that the world is so ready to blow itself apart. You have to believe in the goodwill of other people, without trying to force them to your way of doing things.

"We have to maintain certain vital contacts through things such as films and sports, sometimes these are the only alternatives to war. It is important also to work through organizations like the United Nations."

In closing, would so experienced a human be able to offer some hope for the future fate of the world?

"As Charlie Chan might say," he trailed off as he leaned back deep in thought, then bolted up, and with an all wise grin and fortune cookie accent, "Case unsolveable." It was as if the writer was hesitant to tell how the story ends, as if the actor in him was telling us, "You'll have to wait to see the movie."

Smile your on Candid Camera

Actor Peter Ustinov steps off a helicopter during the filming of the movie, "Charlie Chan and the

Curse of the Dragon Lady," Parts of the movie were shot at East Fort Baker. (Photo by Jim Edwards)

'Tanks for the memories'

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, points to a model tank similar to the real equipment he used to command. The tank is part of the exhibit of models done by Mr. Brian Buhl (right) and donated to the Presidio Army Museum. The display traces the history of the Army tank and is open to the public. (Photo by Ken Juber)



Time to spare

MAME's last performances this weekend

Mame continues at the Presidio Playhouse tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Final performance of their Broadway hit musical is Sunday at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 with active duty personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists getting a \$1 discount with a valid ID card.

A Spring Mini Circus is set for tomorrow at the Glen Park Recreation Center at Elk and Chenery streets. The mini circus which begins at 10 a.m., is complete with clowns, live animals, music and a variety of events for youngsters.

Also tomorrow, the rock group, Chien, appears in a free concert at the Bandshell in Golden Gate Park from noon to 3 p.m.

The Third Annual National Championship Motocross is scheduled for Sunday at Sears Point in Sonoma. Sponsored by the American Motorcyclists Association, the motocross features competition in 125cc and 500cc classes. The day starts with a practice session at 9 a.m. with races slated for 11 a.m. through 4 p.m. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the gate and are available through BASS and Ticketron outlets.

The San Francisco Symphony presents a free all-Tchaikovsky program Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Sigmund Stern Grove as the 43rd Annual Midsummer Music Festival begins.

A series of free tennis clinics for youngsters age 9 to 15 years old begins Monday at playgrounds citywide. The clinics run for two days a week for four weeks. For exact locations and more information contact the Recreation and Park Department at 558-4268.

The Merry Wives of Windsor begins July 9 at 7:30 p.m. as the first in a series of productions during the Berkeley Shakespeare Festival in John Hinkel Park. Call 845-0303 for more information.

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring a variety of tours in the near future. On July 12, Presidians can take a trip to Marine World/Africa USA for \$3. A tour to Great America is set for July 19 for \$10 which includes transportation and admission. Finally, a trip to the Hearst Castle is set for July 26 also for \$10.

The Rec Center also has available discount tickets for Tuesday's Giants-Cincinnati game for \$2.50.

The Redwood Empire Association is offering a free map detailing the 1980 Sonoma County Farm Trails. The trails are a cooperative of 169 small farms and agricultural processors an easy hour's drive north of the Presidio. Listing on the map range from African Violets and almonds to wineries, wool and walnuts. For a free map, send a double stamped self addressed envelope to the Redwood Empire Association, 360 Post St., Suite 401, San Francisco, Calif., 94108.



Don't talk back to Auntie Mame

Ann Homrig-Hausen as Mame and Tom Fulghum as her adopted nephew, Patrick, appear in Mame tonight at 8 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse. The

broadway hit musical closes after Sunday's 7 p.m. performance.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio youth

DYA offering sports, mechanic, dancing and craft classes for summertime fun



by Tom Tiernan

Bobby and Billy were sitting on the corner of Lincoln Blvd. and Pershing Drive with nothing to do. So they began roaming around the housing area until they came upon two unattended bicycles and decided to go for a little joy ride.

When they were caught by the Military Police several hours later, the two youngsters explained they had taken the bike because they didn't have anything to do.

If Bobby and Billy, or their parents had checked with the Dependent Youth Center the two might not have gotten in trouble.

With summer 1980 already here, Presidio officials expect juvenile crime to jump in the coming months, because the kids think they have nothing better to do.

To provide Presidio youth with a host of activities of summertime fun, the Dependent Youth Activities will be offering a number of classes beginning July 7.

According to Mr. Bart Porter, DYA Director, classes in Arts and Crafts, tennis, ballet, auto mechanics, tap dancing and gymnastics will be held at various locations throughout post.

Interested youths are urged to sign-up for these classes at the Presidio Community Center, the Log Cabin, before July 3.

"Our arts and crafts classes will cover leathercraft, finger painting, paper mache and clay modeling. These classes will be offered in July and August for six weeks each. Field trips are planned to museums, the beach and other points of interest," Porter explains.

"Our tennis classes are open for youths between eight and 16 years old," Porter comments. "The beginning and intermediate classes will be held twice-weekly. We'll provide tennis rackets and the student must bring one can of new tennis balls to the first class."

Besides the DYA activities, the post Religious Activities Center officers a number of groups which meet to discuss the bible and other topics.

The groups include: Junior High Life which meets on Mondays, ROXY which gathers on Friday, the Post Chapel on Thursdays.

Religious summer camps are also available this summer. Woodleaf Camp is open to all post chapel youth in grades 9 through 12 and will operate July 22-29.

Sports

Men place second in Moffett tournament

The Presidio Men's Post Softball Team traveled to Moffett Naval Air Station last weekend to compete in a grueling two-day tournament, and came back with 78 runs on 123 hits, a 5-2 record and a second place finish.

Picking the tournament MVP for the Presidians was a very difficult task, but Sixth Army's **Scott (Stretch) Carr** took the honor with a .678 including, 19 base hits, 10 doubles, one triple, one home run, eight RBI's and 15 runs scored. In addition, Carr was the glue that held a solid infield defense together, which included several spectacular double plays in very crucial situations.

Other players deserving recognition are **864th Engineer's Burt Fabretti**, who played errorless leftfield and contributed with his "big stick" and Coach **Terry Loken**, USAG, who averaged a scorching .695 average.

In their first game on Saturday, the Presidians squeezed past their opponents, the USS Kansas City from Alameda, on a Loken home run and a game-winning RBI from Fabretti for a 8-7 victory.

In the second game against the same opponent, the long ball produced by Fabretti, Martin and Loken provided a little breathing room and a 17-9 victory.

On Sunday, the Presidians took their first defeat at the hands of the Sons of Armann, a civilian group from Mountain View, but stormed back in the second game with a come-from-behind 9-8 victory.

In the semi-finals game, against the Com-madors of Lockheed, the fans saw the Presidians play one of their best games. Superb defense and offense by the Presidians produced a spectacular seesaw affair and a 17-15 victory.

In the final game, the big bats of the Sons of Armann, who defeated the Presidians earlier, proved too much for the bruised and tired Presidio team, leading to a 15-7 defeat.

Tate captures post golf crown , heads for Riley

The 1980 Commander's Summer Golf Tournament, which selected players for the post team to represent the Presidio at the FORSCOM Championship at Port Riley, Kan., July 14-18 was conducted last week with the following results:

Open Division

Low Gross (without handicap)—1st, **Bobby Tate**, Sixth Army, 167

Low Net (with handicap)—1st, **Robert Neuteboom**, LAIR, 140; 2nd, **Michael Shigekawa**, LAIR, 148

Senior Division

Low Gross (without handicap)—1st **Leroy Cole**, LAMC, 154; 2nd, **Jimmy Stinebaugh**, Sixth Army, 162

Low Net (with handicap)—1st, **Ed Huggins**,

Region IX, 131; 2nd, **Myron Viner**, Sixth Army, 143

The FORSCOM tourney will be a low gross event played (without handicap). Players selected to attend the tournament are:

Bobby Tate
Charles Dikon

Leroy Cole

John Weaver
Jack Joyce

Jimmy Stinebaugh

Davis runs away with AER race

On a clear, breezy day, military and civilian runners joined together for the AER fund benefit race held last Saturday.

The race covered a 5,000 meter course on post. A stiff head wind along Mason St. prevented quicker times during the first mile, but the last two miles of the course were quicker.

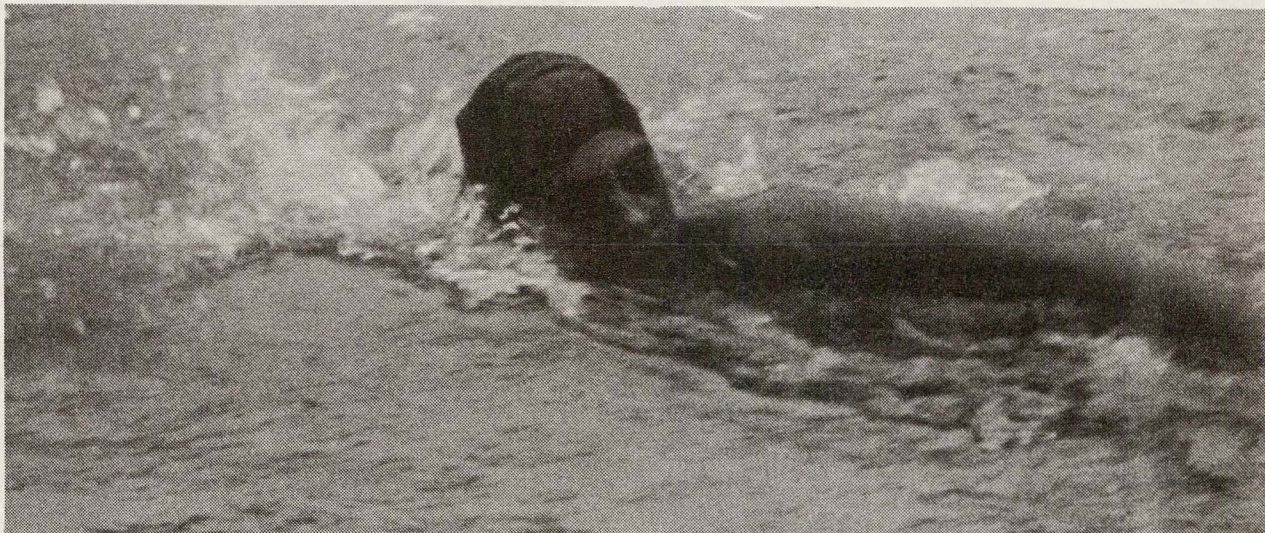
Mike Davis lead ith a time of 5:15 for the first mile then blitzed the next two miles in 9:40 a 4:50 average, to win easily in a time of 15:41.

Philip Kay was second with a time of 16:08 and **Jim Moore** of LAIR placed third overall with a 17:07.

The women's division saw **Maria Ng** lead the whole way and **Linda Wettstein** of LAMC ran hard to get a personal best of 20:59.

Top Presidio finishers with place and time are as follows:

Place	Name	Time	17th	Ed Pogue,
4th	Brad Carpenter, DEP	17:24	20th	Nick Ninos,
5th	Reggie Humdy, LAMC	17:52	21st	John Inase, LAIR
7th	Ralph Cruikshank, Sixth Army	18:48	28th	Mark Hromalik, USAG
8th	Tom Nemeth, LAIR	18:51	30th	Dolly Baker, DEP
10th	Ralph Lewis, LAMC	19:57	31st	Floyd Baker, LAMC
15th	Linda Wettstein, LAMC	20:59	32nd	Randy Freeman, LAIR
			35th	Annette Zetterstein, LAMC



Brian Russo displays his winning stroke during a recent swim competition. His brother Mark, led

Presidio swimmers to seven records in a swim meet in Vallejo last weekend.

Aquarians set seven new records

Lead by **Mark Russo** the Presidio Aquarius Swim Team set new time records during a Zone 3 Open Swim Meet in Vallejo last weekend.

Russo set records in the 50 yard freestyle, the 50 yard butterfly, the 100 yard freestyle and the 50 yard breaststroke.

Eight year old **Wendy Siefert** set a new time in the 100 meter individual medley while 10 year old **Rebecca Askew** set a new record in the 100

yard breaststroke and **Billy Slisz** swam to a new time in the 50 yard freestyle for 11-12 year olds.

Other winners were **Teddy Dunne**, **Blanca Castillo**, **Melva George**, **Donna Hibbs**, **Meg Halsey**, and the 11-12 year old Relay consisting of **LeAnn Langeliers**, **Slisz**, **Russo**, and **Billy Rainaldo**.

Any Presidio youths interested in joining the team should contact Mrs. Julie Askew 561-4944 after futy hours.

Region IX top intramural golfers

The Intramural Golf program ended last week with Region IX coming out the winner with a 6-1 record. The runner-up position was decided by a play-off between LAIR and 504th MP BN. LAIR took the second place position by a three-point win.

Final standings for intramural golf are as follows:

Team	Place	Record
Region IX	1st	6-1
LAIR	2nd	5-2
504th MP BN	3rd	5-2
Sixth Army	4th	3-4
LAMC	5th	0-7

Travelers win

After two weeks of intense summer league basketball action, the race to the top remains up for grabs. The upset of the young season occurred when the Travelers, 1-3, defeated the Champions, 3-1, in an overwhelming 54-39 win.

The summer league basketball program games takes place each Tuesday and Thursday, at post gym No. 1, with game times at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Personnel still interested in participating in this program are asked to contact Karl Gaffney at 561-5032 for further information.

Softball league standings

Team	Won	Lost					
Doctors	10	3	LAMC No. 2	5	5	LAIR No. 2	0 11
USAG	9	2	LAMC No. 2	11	1	USACC	3 8
864th ENGRS.	5	2	6th Army	5	3	Public Health	6 5
51st ENGRS.	5	4	170th MP CO	6	5	Service Station	2 7
LAIR No. 1	5	4	LAMC, Admin.	4	6	Four Seasons	7 6
666th RADAR	8	3	ATTORNEYS	6	5	DIO	0 6
US Coast Guard	5	5	163rd MP CO	6	6	LAMC No. 1	1 9

Presidio News Notes

Bike rodeo set

A bicycle rodeo will be held July 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. behind the military police station on Lincoln Blvd.

The rodeo is being held to register bicycles for easier recovery in case they are stolen and to give them a thorough safety inspection.

The project is being sponsored by Brian Russo who is using the rodeo toward achieving his eagle scout rank.

Medicine pick-up Sat.

Presidians are reminded that members of Boy Scout Troop 77 will be knocking on doors tomorrow between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. collecting outdated medicines and old eyeglasses. The medicines, which can be very hazardous if taken, will be disposed of by appropriate authorities after the drive's conclusion.

CPO hours change

The Recruitment and Placement Branch of CPO will be open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Appointments are required for staffing assistance career goals discussion and review of personnel Official Personnel Records.

For more information call 561-5753.

Sign up for class

Registration for DYA summer classes will be held June 30 through July 3 at the Log Cabin.

Classes will include arts and crafts, tennis, basic auto repair, gymnastics, tap dance, and Red Cross swim lessons.

Classes will begin the week of July 7 and run for six weeks.

Beware of rabid animals

Military Police animal control personnel captured a rabid skunk at Fort Baker last week. This was the first discovery of a rabid animal in southern Marin County in several years.

Residents of Fort Bakers. Berrv and Cronkwhite

are advised to be cautious around wild animals. Do not feed them or keep them as pets. Anyone bitten by a wild animal should report to the LAMC emergency room for treatment. Unusual behavior by wild animals such as skunks or racoons should be reported to the Veterinary Activity or the Preventive Medicine Activity at LAMC or after duty hours report it to the military police.

LAMC vets advise, don't panic, use normal caution, and supervise children carefully when they're outdoors.

New hours at sauna

New hours of use of post gym's sauna by women will go into effect July 1. The added time will be from 12:15 to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This will allow women an opportunity to use the sauna on their lunch hour.

The new times are on a two-month trial basis.

Listed below are the times the sauna will be open to women:

Sunday—10 a.m. to noon
Monday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Tuesday—12:15 - 1 p.m. and 4 - 8 p.m.
Wednesday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Thursday—12:15 - 1 p.m. and 4 - 8 p.m.
Friday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Saturday—10 a.m. to noon

Reading club planned

Summer is here again and it is time to join the Presidio Post Library System's Summer Reading Club "Historical Tour of the Presidio." Reading and book reporting are just a part of the program. Meeting new friends, field trips, parties, games and prizes are all part of the activities.

All military dependents of the Presidio community in grades 1 through 8 are invited to join. Registration will be conducted June 24 through July 8, 1980, at the Main Post Library, building 386.

The reading club begins July 8 and ends on August 15. Two books must be read and reported on each week for a total of twelve books for the summer.

Books must be checked out from the Post Library System. Don't miss the tour! Call the post library at 561-3448/5037 for more information on the summer reading club.

Youths wanted

If you are between the ages of 15 and 18, looking for an exciting summer, call the Red Cross Volunteer Office at 561-2187 and ask for more information about our Summer Youth Program.

Chess club to form

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring a chess club with the first meeting slated for July 17. The club plans to meet weekly for classes and instruction as well as guest speakers. For further information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m.

Deadline set

The deadline for entries to the Interservice Photography Contest is fast approaching, according to Dave Black, head of the Presidio's photo craft shop.

The Presidio coordinator for the competition, Black says that entries must reach him no later than 9 p.m. on July 11 to be considered by the judges. The judging takes place July 12 and winners will be announced immediately.

No sale

The Star Presidian has been receiving a number of phone calls from persons desiring to place ads in the newspaper or Weekly Bulletin.

Since this is an Army authorized newspaper, we accept no advertising. All personal items to be sold must be directed to the Weekly Bulletin which is published by the Presidio Adjutant's Office.

The adjutant's office is located in the basement of building 220, post headquarters. For information on how to place an item in the bulletin call Mrs. Eilene Craig at 561-2045.

Articles on unit, agency or club activities can be submitted to the Star Presidian newsroom, in building 37 for consideration.

Reserve finance center fits the bill

by Kay Allen

Many people, including some reservists, question the mobilization readiness of reserve troops, but a unit from Columbus, Ohio is ready to go right now.

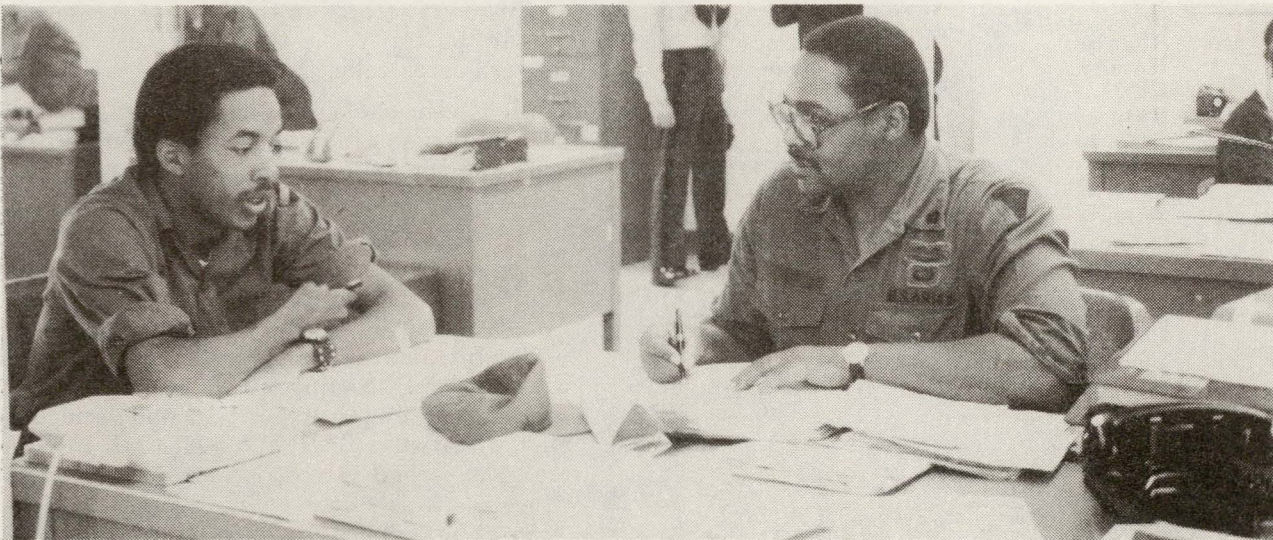
Members of the 325th Finance Section of the 83rd Army Reserve Command are operating a full-function finance office here as part of their two-week annual training exercise.

Finance records of 11 units on post have been transferred to the training office in Building 913 where the 325th provides financial services such as document processing, travel payments, reenlistment bonuses and advance pay for soldiers on permanent change of station moves.

Maj. Claud A. Brown, finance officer for the 325th, says his unit is definitely prepared for mobilization. "This is the only training of its kind in the country," he explained.

Except for the active duty finance officer and an evaluator, the office has no active duty counterparts. Ordinarily, reservists on active training are satellited on the active personnel who do the job the reservists are learning. Civilian chiefs provide back-up expertise when necessary, Brown elaborated, but so far the reservists haven't needed to call on them for much.

"Most of our people are not prior service," stated Brown. "They've been three or four years in (classroom) preparation to get to this point." At home the reservists train with correspondence courses and classes, he explained, and they have little opportunity to apply what they learn.



Are you sure my pay is \$5,000?

Sp5 Willis Huff of the 325th Finance Section of the 83rd ARCO, from Columbus, Ohio (right) helps Sp4 Gregory Thompson of the 170th MP Co. with a pay inquiry. The 325th is currently undergoing

their annual training on post. They operate a finance center which is handling all pay matters for seven post unit. (Photo by Kay Allen)

Brown pointed out that this is the first time they've had disbursement training, except for a couple of days at Fort Knox, Ky.

Knowing they can handle the full responsibility of a finance office also "helps the unit as

far as morale, retention and recruitment," Brown said.

The 325th is the second of five reserve groups scheduled to operate the model finance office this summer.

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Pre-trial agreement cuts sentence

Parini pleads guilty to sex crimes

by Tom Tiernan

The former commander of the Sixth Region Criminal Investigation Command, Col. Romano J. Parini, pleaded guilty last week to charges of sexually abusing three female employees in his command.

Parini was sentenced to one year of hard labor and a \$15,000 fine by a panel of eight colonels senior to him.

Under a pre-trial agreement, Parini will not serve the confinement and since he was not sentenced to dismissal, he will be allowed to retire with full benefits.

According to Lt. Col. Harvey W. Kaplan, staff judge advocate, "The fine is not subject to the agreement and no decision has been made as to whether Colonel Parini will have to pay it."

That decision will be made by post commander Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., the convening authority, during his post trial review.

The 48-year-old officer pleaded guilty of three counts of indecent assault, three counts of conduct unbecoming an officer and two counts of wrongful solicitation of sexual favors from subordinates.

The trial followed months of investigation into the charges which were filed against Parini in Nov. 1979.

Explaining the pre-trial agreement, Kaplan explained that it is similar to plea bargaining often used in civilian courts.

"Normally the defense comes to the trial counsel (prosecutor) and states that his client is willing to plead guilty to certain charges if the convening authority is willing to do certain things for them," he continued.

At that time the trial counsel must evaluate his case to determine if the agreement would be to the government's best interest. The trial counsel evaluates the strength and other aspects of the government's case against the individual.

If the trial counsel believes that the agreement is in the best interest of the government, he will go to the staff judge advocate who is the convening authorities' legal advisor.

"The staff judge advocate must then take the offer of a pre-trial agreement to the convening authority along with his own recommendation as to what the commander should do," Kaplan added.

"The convening authority, who is a neutral quasi-judicial official, and under the UCMJ, is generally on the same plane as the trial judge as far as neutrality, and must then make the decision whether or not to accept the defense's offer."

If the convening authority agrees to accept a pre-trial agreement, the terms are then typed up in contract-like form and signed by the commander and the accused, thus freeing the government from proving those charges the accused agrees to plead to.

A providency hearing is then held between the accused and the trial judge to insure that the defendant completely understands the charges to which he has agreed to plead guilty.

Once this hearing is completed, the trial moves into the extenuation and mitigation phase.

During this phase the trial counsel presents his arguments as to the extent of the punishment the accused should receive. The defense tries to explain the circumstances around the offense and to show that the defendant was a good soldier up to the trial. Both sides may or may not call witnesses.

If the defendant has elected to have a trial by jury, the jurors deliberate in private to decide upon the sentence. If a trial by judge is requested, the sentence is determined by the judge.

Both the judge and the jury are guided by a table of maximum punishments which can be given for each crime. The jurors are not made

aware of any pre-trial agreement in order precluded prejudicing the rights of the accused.

Once the sentence is announced the entire proceedings must be reviewed by the SJA. His recommendations on the law, the court record, and other papers are then forwarded to the convening authority for review. At this time the terms of the pre-trial agreement are put into effect.

"The pre-trial agreement is the outer limits of the punishment the accused can receive," points out Kaplan. "He may receive a lesser sentence if the court feels it is appropriate."

"If the agreement calls for the commander to approve a forfeiture of payment not to exceed \$500 per month for six months and the court sentences the defendant to \$200 per month for six months, the convening authority may only impose a sentence up to \$200 as decided by the court. This is why jurors are not told the terms of the agreement."

Pre-trial agreements are used largely to expedite and simplify the judicial process, says Kaplan. "If we didn't have these agreements, there would be a back log of cases or inappropriate expenditure of resources if we were trying to prove every charge. Our system is based on a speedy and fair process of the law."

"The pre-trial agreement is not designed to help a person get off because of his rank," states Kaplan.

"We must consider the strength of the case and other advantages before deciding whether or not to go along with a pre-trial agreement."

It insures fairness to all concerned, the court martial proceedings are governed by a specified sequence of events and a review procedure that includes not only the convening authority but also the judge advocate General at the Department of the Army.



Symbols of a free nation

The Iwo Jima Memorial stands as a tribute to the handful of Marines who struggled to raise the flag on that Pacific island during World War II. Located in Washington, D. C., the statue is a reminder of the many sacrifices Americans have made to keep

our nation free. All Presidians are invited to attend ceremonies honoring the 204th birthday of the United States on Friday. More details see the story on page 3.
(Photo by Tom Tiernan)

AER drive nets \$28,000 more coming

The Presidio 1980 Army Emergency Relief Fund Drive may have ended June 15, but according to SFC Richard Brogdon, money is still trickling in.

As of Monday the fund had raised over \$28,000, with donations from Sharpe Army Depot due to arrive this week.

Retirees lead donors with more than \$23,700 contributed while active duty personnel chipped in \$3,830.

The Presidio Golf Association donated over \$279 and another \$50 was raised during a race held June 21.

Last year the post gave over \$27,000 to the fund.

AER is a non-profit organization which provides financial assistance to soldiers and their families through loans and grants.

It is supported solely through the money donated by soldiers and other interested persons associated with the Army.

The fund also provides scholarships and loans to deserving dependent students who need the money to attend college.

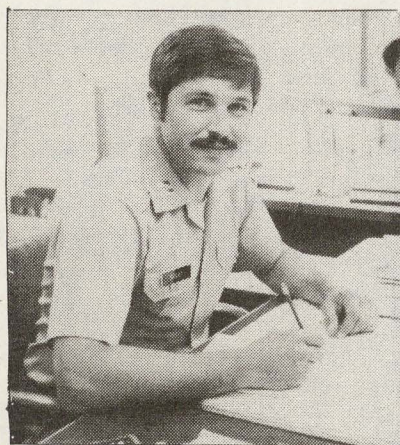
Last year, AER provided assistance to 202 Presidians for a total of \$44,000 in loans and grants.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

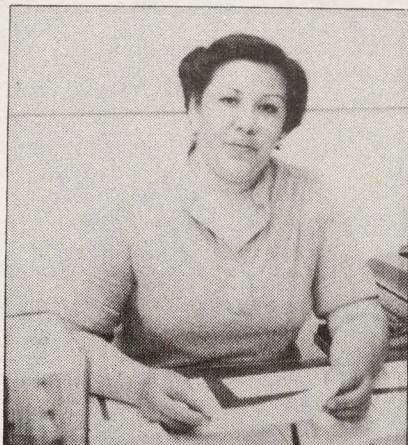
Does the city of San Francisco support the Presidio?

Betty Jo Burns, SATO Agent—"I would say not too well. I don't think the bus service lends very well to non-use of cars to get to work. I would say the only thing the city does is take very good advantage of a beautiful place."



Capt. Robert D. Foley, OSI—"My observation of the support rendered to the Presidio by the residents of San Francisco is pretty much limited to the taverns that I frequent. Nobody hates me because I'm a GI. People are very interested. They wonder what uniform that is."

Mrs. Elvira S. Jimenez, Sixth Army—"Well, not too long ago it was in the news that they wanted to close the post and the mayor went to Washington to talk against that."



Sp5 Richard McManigal, OSI—"I don't think they are supportive or non-supportive. Most of them don't even know we're here. We don't amount to enough people to make an impact on a city of 750,000. We're just not that visible."

Sp4 Jan Holloway, Transportation—"I don't think they really support too much. Half this city doesn't even know there's an Army post here. Presidio? Where's that?"



How can I help?

How many times have you tried to get information or assistance and been told either "that's not my job," or been referred to person A who tells you to talk to person B who sends you to see person C who refers you back to person A?

I am afraid that this goes on too often, leaving us frustrated and angry.

We can save ourselves and others a lot of time and trouble if we simply ask ourselves, "How can I help?"

By taking a few minutes to research a question or to assist the person, we not only serve the requester's need, but also give a

good impression of ourselves and the Army.

Helping others by referring them to the correct person or section that can give them the answer to their question involves only a few seconds.

By naming the section, the person in charge and giving the phone number, the requester can be on his or her way to finding the information desired without a lot of trouble or time involved.

We are here to serve. Let's give those we service our best professional and personal concern.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Make it a safe one

Fireworks, picnics and three day trips. These have become the symbols of the American Fourth of July celebration.

They have also become some of America's most dangerous activities.

Each year thousands of persons are injured and many die from accidents involving fireworks. Many children are maimed permanently from playing with these dangerous explosives.

Many fires are started when fireworks land in dry grass and on roofs because they are carelessly fired in the wrong direction.

Fireworks are dangerous and shouldn't be used unless fired by a properly trained person in a safe area. **Children should never be allowed to play with fireworks.**

Picnics, although not so dangerous, can become scenes of tragedy especially around swimming pools, the beach and on boats.

Drowning accounts for a major

portion of all holiday deaths. Swimming without waiting a sufficient amount of time after eating, swimming alone or in strange areas and trying to out do yourself can lead to death by drowning.

Every three day holiday, millions of people pour on to the highways headed for the quick vacation from work, the house and the city.

Many drivers attempt to drive when they are too tired, or have had too much to drink. Others take shortcuts and speed in order to get to their destination quicker.

Overloaded cars, traffic and a car full of kids added to other distractions can result in a fatal accident.

If you are planning a special Fourth of July trip, reconsider. A wide variety of activities will be available in the area including a huge festival and fireworks on Crissy Field.

If you do take a trip, do it safely.

The Editor

When we goof, we goof

Dear Readers,

You never realize how many people read the paper until we make a mistake.

The phones haven't stopped ringing since last week's paper hit the street.

No you aren't crazy, we just made a mistake.

The question for last week's Ramblin Sam column was "Does the city of San Francisco support the Presidio?"

So that you can see how the folks responded to the question, we are re-

running their answers with the real question.

We on the staff apologize to those who took the time to answer the question and to all our readers for our mistake.

We know that you realize that we are human and subject to mistakes. It's just that ours are easily caught.

All of us on the staff try to give you the best possible newspaper each week. When we goof we are the first to admit it and to take our just punishment.

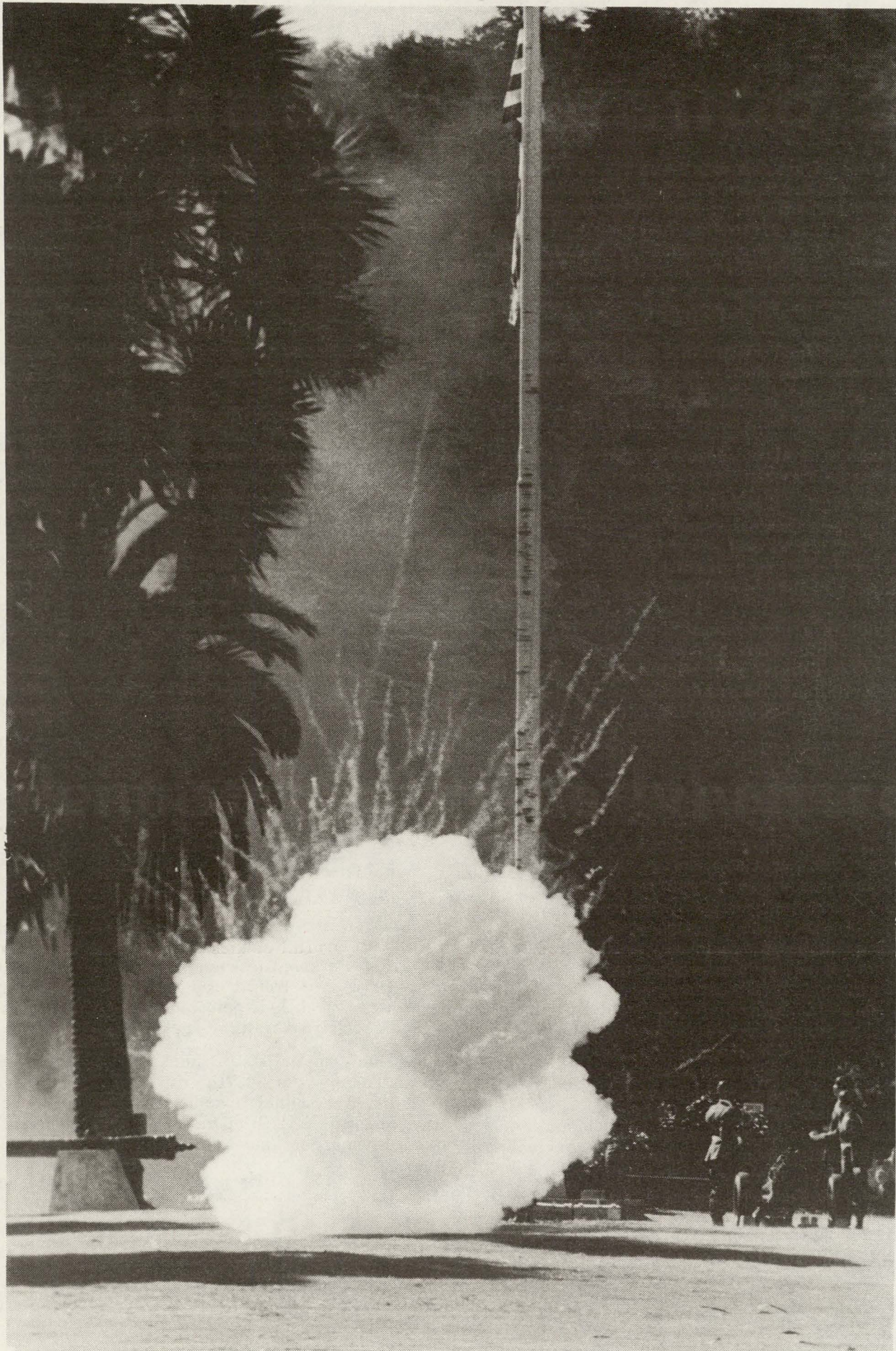
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Fourth of July celebration set



Don't let the smoke get in your eyes

The 504th MP Battalion salute battery fires their cannon during a recent ceremony. The group will be part of the Fourth of July observance set to

beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Pershing Square. At noon a 50 gun salute will be fired honoring the States of the Union. Everyone is invited to attend. (Photo by John Green)

Presidians can celebrate a glorious Fourth of July almost without leaving home.

The **Presidio Army Museum** will get things off to a fancy start with the opening of a new display, "**An Army Wedding in Crocker Parlor**," beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The exhibit features a life-size display depicting the wedding of Capt. Edie, commander of LAMC during World War I. Included are Victorian antiques and stained glass from the Templeton Crocker mansion.

Another exhibit honoring Eadweard Muybridge, a California and San Francisco motion picture pioneer, will also be open to the public.

At 11:30 a.m. things will get off to a "bang" with a special ceremony featuring a **fifty-gun Salute to the Union**. The ceremony will be held on **Pershing Square**.

Throughout the day there will be a variety of activities for the whole family.

At 11 a.m. the **NCO/Enlisted Club** will hold an **open house** featuring children's horse, car and train rides, clowns and games. Three bands will perform from 2 p.m. to 5 a.m. for a cover charge of \$3.

Nine hours of music, circus acts, dancing, puppetry and children's theater will kick-off at noon with the **Pickle Family Circus** at **Fort Mason**. Performances will be held at noon and 3 p.m.

Turk Murphy and his band will play traditional jazz at **Fort Point** beginning at 2 p.m.

Starting at 3 p.m. the Golden Gate National Recreation Area's side of **Crissy Field** will come alive with live entertainment for both adults and children.

Appearing on the adult stage will be the **Arkansas Sheiks**, a country bluegrass group; and a capella trio **Oak Ash and Thorn**; **Dances of the Pacific**, a group of 19 dancers who perform the dances of the Pacific Isles; **Bill White**, a 64-year-old harmonic player; **Vern Williams Band** featuring traditional bluegrass; "**Boots**," a rock and roll band, and our own **Sixth Army Band**.

The Bay Area's celebration of the nation's 240th birthday will conclude with a 40-minute **fireworks** display starting at 9 p.m.

The show can best be seen from Crissy Field. Those interested in watching are urged to come early, dress warmly and to bring a blanket.

Presidio residents are advised to walk to the fireworks if possible. Since free parking is being offered to the general public at Crissy Field, **traffic is expected to be extremely heavy both before and after the performance.**

According to 1st Lt. William Foster of the Provost Marshal's office, 70 to 80 thousand persons are expected to attend the fireworks. Post military police will be out in full force to help keep traffic moving smoothly.

"Presidians should use the back roads as much as possible," warns Foster. "They should definitely avoid Lincoln Blvd., and the Crissy Field area. We expect there to be bumper to bumper from about 8 to 11 p.m."

Foster also advises residents to lock their garages or park in them to make sure no one else does. Homes and valuable items such as lawn furniture and bikes should also be secured before leaving for the fireworks display.

Aviation detachment's future unclear

Hamilton decision will not affect residents

by Bob Mahoney

The future of Hamilton Air Force Base in Novato, home to many Presidio families, may have been decided according to a recent announcement by the General Services Administration (GSA).

According to the June 25 announcement, the base will be divided among several federal and local agencies with a variety of planned uses.

Residents of the Navy-run housing areas will not be affected by the decision. All of the nearly 700 housing units maintained by the Navy and occupied by members of all of the military services will remain intact. Also remaining will be the Base Exchange and commissary facilities, according to Navy officials.

The future of the Army flight detachment and

other military flight activities at Hamilton is still in a state of flux, according to Daryl Davenport, deputy engineer at Sixth U. S. Army headquarters.

"Once the GSA decision is officially announced in the form of a published public notice, expected July 23, there is a 30 day period in which challenges may be issued," continued Davenport.

"Department of the Army had directed Forces Command (FORSCOM) to evaluate the flight operations situation upon the issuance of the GSA decision," he added. "FORSCOM will then make a decision to keep the detachment as is or move the flight operations to another location, whichever is more economical."

Should flight activities at Hamilton actually

terminate, the need for aviation support to the Presidio remains. "We have a requirement for a flight facility similar to the one occupied at Hamilton," concluded Davenport. "whether at Hamilton or not at Hamilton, the requirement still exists."

Davenport would not speculate as to the time the FORSCOM decision could be expected.

The decision by GSA will transfer or sell various parcels of property to the Navy, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State Department, the Departments of the Interior, the Novato School District, the city of Novato and to Marin County.

Proposed use of the land runs the gamut from a wildlife refuge to residential, commercial and light industrial development.

Promo board scheduled

Regular Army (RA) warrant officers will be considered for permanent promotion to CW4, CW3 and CW2 this summer, according to MILPERCEN announcement.

Selection boards will convene on or about August 19 for those warrants meeting the following criteria:

- To CW4: all active duty premanent CW3S with a Sept. 30, 1975 or earlier date of rank.
- To CW3: all active duty permanent CW2S with a Sept. 30, 1975 or earlier date of rank.
- To CW 2: all active duty permanent WO1S with a Sept. 30, 1978 or earlier date of rank.

Warrants in the zones of consideration, who were considered, but not selected by last year's board, must have an officer's evaluation report (OER) with a through date not earlier than Oct. 5, 1979, say officials. Those who have not already received an OER during this period may have a mandatory OER or an optional "complete the record" OER submitted now. Either report must cover at least a 90-day rating period and have a through date of July 21, 1980. These reports must arrive at DA on or before Aug. 12. This requirement will not affect officers not considered by last year's board.

Those being considered may also send personal letters in their behalf to the board, say officials. Letters, however, should include only those matters important to an officer's record. Any letter the promotion board considers becomes a matter of record and will be maintained by MILPERCEN. Letters should be sent to presidente, WO RA Promotion Selection Board, Attn: DAPC-MSS-B, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA. 22332. They must arrive within 10 days after the board convenes or before the board adjourns, whichever is earlier.

MILPERCEN has set up a special processing section to update the official records of officers eligible for consideration. Documents, except OERs, which are needed to complete the official military personnel files (OMPF) may be sent to CDR MILPERCEN, Attn: DAPC-PSR-RP, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA. 22332.

Presidio warrant officers should contact the personnel action's section of COMPACT at 561-3304 for more information or assistance.



No Halloween mask

Sp5 Mary Provencio, a New Mexico reservist, dons her protective mask while attending the

6237th MOS school at Camp Parks. The school offers courses in several specialties.

School trains reservists

More than 200 reservists and national guardsmen from throughout the western United States converged on Camp Parks recently for two weeks of intensive training at the Sixth Army Military Occupational Speciality Training Center.

The students were the first of more than 750 reservists and guardsmen who will attend the school this summer for training in 14 key Army specialties.

During the summer sessions, students will be trained in tactical wire and chemical operations, power generator and wheel vehicle maintenance as well as supply and food services and

administration. A military police course is also being offered.

The centralized training center is run by the 6237th Army Reserve School, headquartered at Camp Parks. The center enables guard and reserve units from throughout the Sixth Army Area to send their personnel to one location for the specialized training they need.

Using specialists in their respective fields as instructors, the 6237th trains both officer and enlisted personnel. In addition to the Camp Parks center, the 6237th operates school detachments in Fresno, Sacramento and Reno, Nev.

Post's top soldier believes training is important



Top soldier helps out

Sp5 Jeanette Jones helps Sp4 Bill Myer with his SQT training. Jones, assigned to Hq. Co. USAG

was selected as the Soldier of the Month. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

by Jon Chelgren

Sp5 Jeanette Jones says she puts a lot of effort into basic soldiering because she feels it is important.

Her efforts were rewarded recently when she was named the post's "Soldier of the Month."

To Jones, administrative supervisor for the post adjutant office, her selection means "...the culmination of some goals I've set. It means putting a lot of effort into soldiering. I (also) put a lot of effort into training for the SQT and training the subordinates that I have."

Jones, who joined the adjutant's office in December, explains, "I feel basic soldiering is very important. I think people get too wrapped up in their admin jobs. That's good and great, but you have to know how to function in a wartime environment."

"You have to know," she continues, "how to use a radio, you have to know how to clean a weapon—things like that. It's for your own knowledge. If you don't know how, then you are out in the middle of nowhere and you don't even know how to take care of yourself."

Jones' efforts didn't stop when she was selected soldier of the month. She says her next hurdle is a promotion.

"I am trying," she says, "to position myself for an early selection to E-6." She now has nearly enough points for secondary zone promotion.

As for an Army career, Jones remains undecided. She says her decision to reenlist will be based on how soon she gets her next stripe as well as what future assignments she receives.

But even more so, the four-and-a-half year Army veteran says, "It really depends on what the Army is willing to offer."

Time's running out for GI Bill

by Jim Edwards

"They can take their GI Bill and shove it," commented an enraged staff sergeant with more than seven years service. "If I stay in until my retirement, I will lose all my GI Bill educational benefits before I can really use them."

"If the country is so determined to help the Vietnam veteran, and to maintain the quality and experience of the military, why are they screwing us with this rip-off of our educational benefits?" asked a 12 year veteran.

A question facing many middle-level soldiers, especially those with more than 7-10 years of service is one of what to do about the GI Bill benefits.

Congress has established a Dec. 31, 1989 cut-off date for the Vietnam-Era GI Bill education benefits. How this will affect veterans still on active duty with retirement dates close to or after the cut-off is a matter of great concern to soldiers and military leaders. Many soldiers consider the cut-off a rip-off.

"I wouldn't call it a rip-off," insists Elizabeth Ruffin, a counselor at the Fort Scott Education center. "There are many ways for an active duty servicemember to use his GI Bill benefits while

still in the service. There are, however, differences in the amounts of compensation for veterans and active duty members."

The differences in compensation, according to the Veterans Administration, rest with the amount of money paid to a veteran or active duty student under the GI Bill.

"An individual with two dependents attending college full-time would receive \$422 a month from the Veterans Administration. Out of this they would pay their costs for tuition and books, and keep the rest for subsistence. A member on active duty who attends college full-time would be re-imbursed only for the exact cost of tuition and fees up to a ceiling of \$311 per month," says Ms. Ruffin.

"I figured it out one day," said a staff sergeant with 10 years service. "The government is giving me less just because I chose to stay on active duty. In my case, with the program I have, that adds up to about \$5,000 less over the course of a college degree."

In addition to the cost difference, active duty members cite differences in the quality of a college education for an active duty student.

Many servicemembers complain that they

work during the day when most of the courses are taught, and when there is the greatest selection. Because of this they are denied the use of the GI Bill benefits in the pursuit of the courses of their choice. Others are tired of being spoon-fed courses in business administration and general study.

Some active duty members complain that using the GI Bill while in service is too complicated and difficult. Many feel discouraged by the initial cost before the VA pays them back. service, but a survey of current paid courses at the Presidio showed that out of more than 70 students enrolled, only 4 had opted to use GI Bill money to go. Why?

"Mostly because through the VA you must first pay the cost of the course, and wait for reimbursement which can take as long as eight weeks. With most enlisted members living near the poverty level, the cost is too much. These people usually opt for Tuition assistance which covers 75% of the cost and pays right now," explained a counselor at the Education Center.

Why did Congress enact a bill taking away a significant portion of a benefit for thousands of active duty military?

"It's mostly a question of money," commented a VA counselor, "too much of the defense budget was going into people costs, and it was getting out of hand." Information from the House Veterans Affairs Committee confirmed that "The old GI Bill obviously cost more, with the soldier contributing nothing. The GI Bill was never designed for the career personnel anyway, but was intended to aid the draftee-soldier-citizen in the transition back to civilian life."

The distinction between draftee-GI Bill benefits and careerist-GI Bill benefits has never been made however, and more than a few NCOs and future NCOs have ruffled fur over what they view as a major erosion of benefits.

"That's one major reason why I am getting out of the Army with 12 years of service," claimed another staff sergeant, "I was so loyal to the Army. I spent two years as a drill Sergeant, and three years as a recruiter. I feel that I have given my loyalty and received none in return."

Some planners discount the effect on the military of a few sergeants "pulling up stakes." "The lack of a GI Bill right now doesn't affect our recruiting effort," commented a Bay Area recruiter, "With the economic situation right now, people are more interested in a job than all the fringes." The same sentiment seems to apply to the threat of a mass exodus of NCOs in the near future. "I have a wife and two kids, even if I wanted to get out and use my bennies I couldn't afford it," said a self proclaimed careerist. "Besides, even if I am unhappy about losing a bennie, there are still lots of other ways to get a degree in the Army."

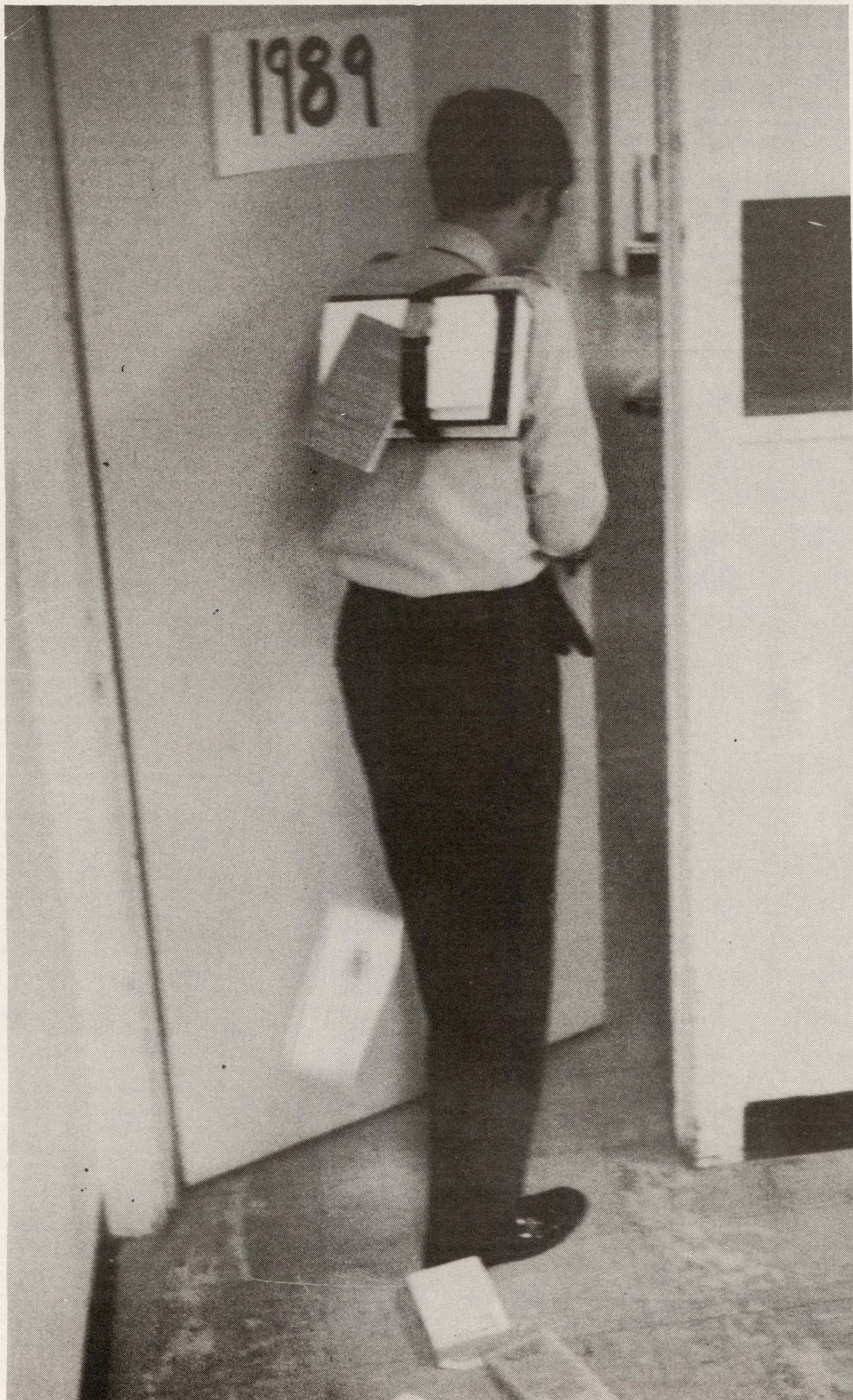
"When General Meyers was here (at the Presidio), he said we were having trouble retaining NCOs in the 10-12 year service group," commented a senior NCO. "Even though I am far beyond that, I can't see why they expect those E-6's and E-5's to stay in when they keep changing the benefits and retirement promises they make."

In the hearts of many, the issue boils down to what is and isn't a promise from the Government when you sign your name. The GI Bill is just another in a long list of changes in mid-stream of many soldiers careers, that has many experienced people voting with their feet.

"There seems to be some confusion over what is guaranteed and what isn't, when you sign up," admitted a former recruiter, "You are being guaranteed only what is in the contract, like a job or skill training. All the other stuff in the RPIs (Recruiting Publicity Item) is extra. I wouldn't necessarily tell that to anyone I was trying to recruit though," she said.

"Soldiers want to know the bottom line about what they are going to have when they wrap up their career," quipped an old soldier headed for retirement soon. "Nobody wants to start out with a duffle bag full of promises, and wind up at the end of 20 or 30 years holding an empty sack."

The question is then, when it comes to GI Bill educational benefits, is the future full of promise, or has the veteran again been left holding the bag?



Time to spare

Big name concerts coming soon

Tomorrow a new laser and light show, "Lights Fantastic," opens at the **Morrison Planetarium** in Golden Gate Park. Show times are 5, 7:30, 9 and 10:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 5, 7:30 and 9 p.m. Sundays through Tuesdays.

The **Polk Street Art Fair** runs tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. between Post and Washington.

Also tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday, the **Pickle Family Circus** performs at **Fort Mason** with shows at noon and 3 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children.

The **Star Festival** will be held Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Japan Center at Post and Buchanan Streets. The festival features Japanese dancing, folk singing, martial arts and flower arranging.

Inherit the Wind continues at the **Little Theatre** at San Francisco State Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. The play, which dramatizes the 1920 Scope's Monkey Trial, is part of the university's summer stock season. Admission is \$3.50.

A series of learn to swim and lifesaving classes for youngsters 7-18 years old start Monday at area pools. Sponsored by the Red Cross,

San Francisco schools and the Recreation and Park Department, the classes are scheduled for three two-week sessions from Monday through Aug. 15. Call 558-4268 for more information.

Chuck Mangione comes to the **UC Berkeley Greek Theatre** July 12 at 2 p.m. BASS and C.A.L. outlets have tickets on sale now for \$8.50.

Queen performs at the **Oakland Coliseum** July 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50, \$8.50, and \$9.50 and are available through BASS outlets.

The **Blues Brothers** will appear at the **Concord Pavillion** July 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$8.50 with reserved seats going for \$12.50. All tickets are available through BASS and Ticketron.

The **USO** is sponsoring a trip to the **California Rodeo** in Salinas July 19 leaving at 8 a.m. Highlights of the day include a thousand horse parade, world-class rodeo competition trick riders, clowns and a wild cow milking competition. The \$13 tour price includes transportation and rodeo admission. Call the USO at 885-0234 for more details.

Rita Coolidge visits the **Circle Star Theatre**, July 24 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8.75 for the performance which includes an appearance by special

guest star **Booker T. Jones**. The Circle Stark is located on 1717 Industrial Rd. in San Carlos.

Tickets are on sale for the **Jackson Browne Concert** Aug. 5 at 8 p.m. at the **Oakland Coliseum**. Tickets are \$8.50, \$9.50, and \$10.50 and are available through BASS.

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring the following tours:

Marine World Africa USA on July 12. Cost is \$3 and includes transportation.

Great America on July 19 for \$10 which includes admission and transportation.

Hearst Castle on July 26 also for \$10. Cost includes transportation and tour ticket.

A **calligraphy** class will begin July 14 and be held each Monday evening for four weeks. Sign up at the Recreation Center.

Guitar lessons will start July 10 and the **chess club** will hold its first meeting July 17 at 7 p.m.

Discount tickets are available for two San Francisco events—The San Francisco Experience and the Bay Cruise from Pier 39.

For more information call the Rec Center after 2 p.m. at 561-2000.

Presidio's silent star on the silver screen

by Jim Edwards

The breeze was brisk and dozens of people, many of them extras, huddled and bundled between takes. Cameraman loaded, unloaded and reloaded film, cleaned lenses, and adjusted filters. The lighting and sound engineers strained and crained to prepare for that moment. Everyone waited. They waited and prepared to capture on film, the spark that would ignite audiences everywhere, and make a success out of a multi-million dollar project.

The location for this scene was a long-deserted pier near East Fort Baker on the north side of the Golden Gate. For the three days of filming, the pier buzzed with activity. There were spotlights, police cars, cameras and stars. What took hours a day for three days to film will probably take less than five minutes to show on the screen.

The name of one star, the star of this and other productions will never find its way to the silver screen. That star is the Presidio of San Francisco.

For years, the Presidio and related areas under its control, have played host to scenes ranging from new car ads to major motion pictures like "Reward" and "Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Lady".

"I've shot this scene a hundred times," commented one director, "And I'll probably shoot it a hundred more."

Stated one actor, "I've filmed all over the west coast, and San Francisco always seems to be my favorite scenic area."

There is little doubt of San Francisco's popularity on the screen. "A big part is the bridge," explained an assistant director of one film, "You can film a city scene almost anywhere, but that bridge says 'San Francisco' more surely than anything else."

"It's the mystique," claimed another set worker, "When someone says San Francisco, you think of fog, hills, cable cars and the docks. The Army post here just happens to sit in the best area to see and film all of this."

Part of the Presidio's popularity relates to the location. There's more though. Thanks to the military management of the area, the scenic beauty of the approaches to the Golden Gate Bridge and the surrounding areas has been preserved. In fact it's easy to tell where the city ends and the Presidio begins.

"It's where the trees start," says one commercial filmer, "This place is like a park." Military tenants have for hundreds of years carefully overseen the master planning of the Presidio. The results can easily be judged as one of the loveliest places on the San Francisco peninsula.

Its taken a lot to make the post a star, and through it all the Presidio has remained quietly in attendance, a beautiful scenic landmark, a silent star, on a no longer silent screen.



Smile you're on Candid Camera

The crew from the movie "Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Lady" take a break waiting for the next scene to be filmed. The crew was at

Fort Baker several weeks ago. Several movies are shot on Presidio lands each year. (Photo by Jim Edwards)

Sports

Fitness book details diet and exercise

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles dealing with physical fitness and health items. The appearance of the names of books, organizations or programs should not be considered DA endorsement, but merely the writer's opinion.

by Tom Tiernan

To quote one television commercial, "It seems everyone is on a diet." Yes, it's true, Americans are becoming more and more concerned about their health.

Physical fitness and a good appearance have become even more important to soldiers in the past four years.

The plan used at the U. S. Military Academy was published in 1977. "The West Point Fitness and Diet Book" presents a program designed to control weight without energy loss, improve posture and flexibility, increase stamina and longer life and to improve your golf, tennis game or performance in any sport.

Written by Col. James L. Anderson, director of the Physical Education Department at West Point and Martin Cohem, the program is designed to take between 15 and 45 minutes a day.

According to its author's the program is unique because:

- It is honest and free of gimmicks.
- It is designed for the average person who has been getting little or no exercise. It gradually builds conditioning so that it avoids both the fatigue and soreness that might interfere with your work.
- Conditioning progresses through three levels of activity.
- Because it is used at West Point, it has been tried and tested many times over.

Achieving fitness through the program involves four plans:

The basic five exercises four of which are for the primary muscle groups, the fifth improves the efficiency of the lungs, blood vessels and heart.

If you were to follow only one plan the **walk/run** would be the one chosen by may health professionals. This is the most efficient way to condition your cardiorespiratory system.

The third plan is designed to check the **flexibility** of those of us who sit for a long period of time.

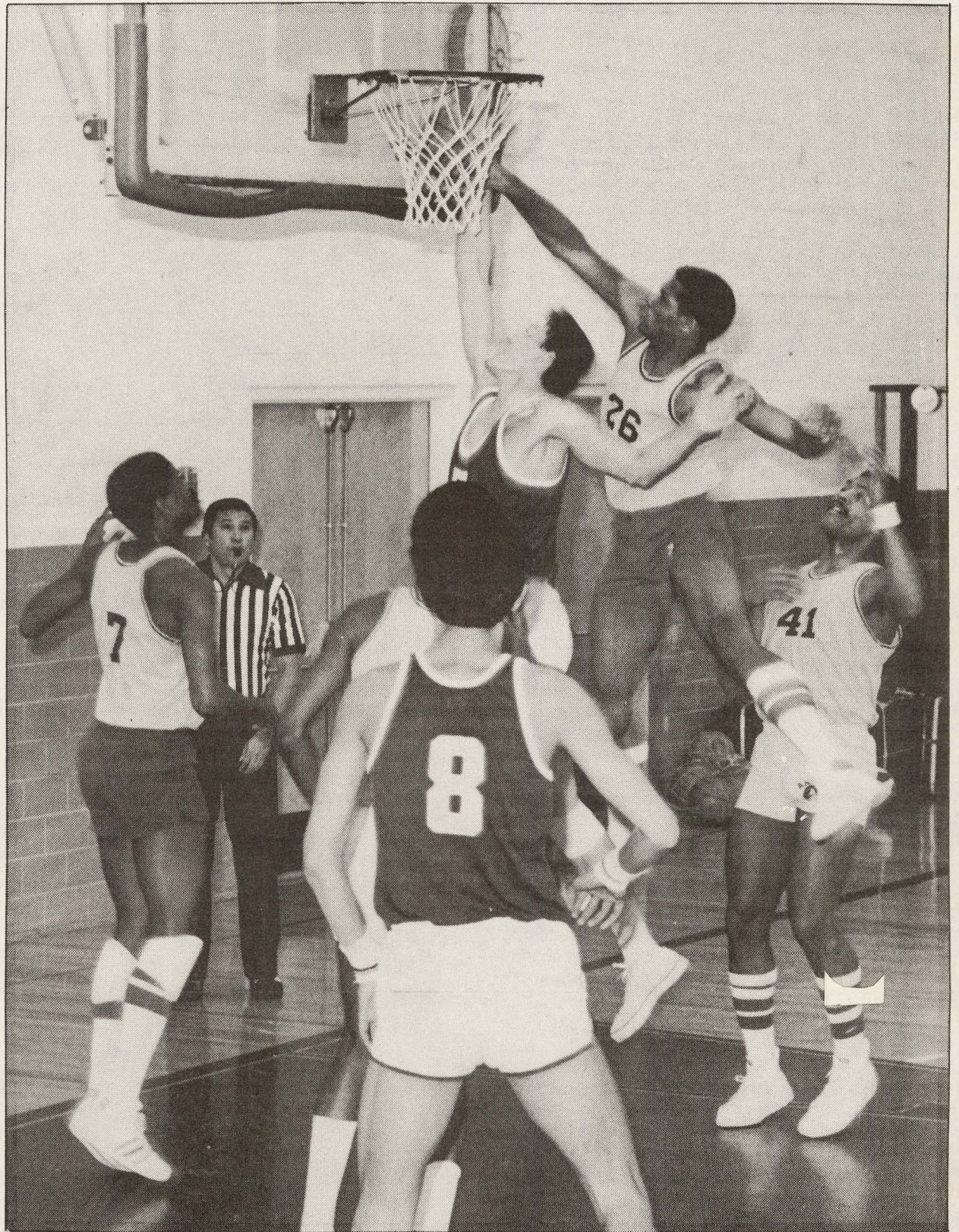
The final plan involves **weight control**.

The basic five for beginners consists of walking or running in place, bent-knee half curls, the body bender, the half knee bend and the modified push-up.

The flexibility section is divided into groups for men and women.

For women, there's the seated toe touch and the seated curl. Men must do the crossed leg stretch and the knee to chest pull. Both sexes are offered the heel walk and the Achilles tendon stretcher test and exercise.

If you are interested in getting in shape like the West Point cadets, you might consider this book as a good reference.



Hooping it up

Presidio basketball players battle for the ball during the winter season. Some of the players

enjoyed the game so much they have joined teams for a summer league.

Champions, Bullets lead league

After six games of basketball competition two teams, the Champions and the Bullets, remain on top of the league.

Offensively, the Bullets are averaging 63 points per game, while defensively, the Champions are holding their opponents to a meager 42 points per game.

The Champions are lead by sharpshooter **Henry Dillard**, who is averaging 18 points per game and the league's most dominating center, **D. Sales**, of the 864th Engineers.

Results of the past week's action are as follows:

76ers	67	vs. Lakers	78
Champions	71	vs. Hawks	54
Bullets	55	vs. Travelers	54
76ers	31	vs. Champions	46
Bullets	80	vs. Lakers	57
Travellers	59	vs. Hawks	46

Team standings are as follows:

Champions	5-1
Bullets	4-2
Lakers	3-3
Hawks	2-4
76ers	2-4
Travellers	2-4

Sauna hours change for ladies

New hours for use of the post gym's sauna by women went into effect Tuesday. The added time is from 12:15 to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This allows women an opportunity to use the sauna on their lunch hour.

The new times are on a two-month trial basis.

Listed below are the times the sauna will be open to women:

Sunday—10 a.m. to noon
Monday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Tuesday—12:15 - 1 p.m. and 4 - 8 p.m.

Wednesday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Thursday—12:15 - 1 p.m. and 4 - 8 p.m.
Friday—8:30 - 11 a.m.
Saturday—10 a.m. to noon

Pool hours change

The Post swimming pool, changes hours this weekend. The new hours will be as follows:
11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Presidio News Notes

Youths get jobs

The Presidio annual involvement with the federally funded Summer Youth Employment Program began July 1 as close to 100 high school students were welcomed to the installation workforce by post commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., during brief ceremonies in the Post Theater.

The program, in cooperation with the San Francisco Unified School District, has two teacher/advisors assigned as coordinators at the installation, Mr. Bill Miller and Mrs. Andrea Lai-Qunilan.

Operating out of offices in the basement of the Civilian Personnel Office, Miller and Lai-Qunilan will be available to assist students and supervisors from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday. They can be reached by phone at 561-4141.

The Summer Youth Employment Program is designed to help qualified students adjust to living in a work environment.

More program participants are expected to arrive at the Presidio during the next few weeks.

Ladies club to meet

The enlisted Men's Wives Club will hold its monthly meeting, July 7, at 7 p.m. in building 1299. All new arrivals are invited to come and join the club.

Recycling next weekend

Recycling for the month of July will be held July 12. Quarter residents are reminded to have newspapers and aluminum cans ready for pick-up between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Proceeds from the recycling center go to help various youth groups on post.

Instructors needed

Certified water safety instructors and aides are needed by the American Red Cross. If you're interested call Renee Priore at 776-2841 or Sarah May at 561-2187.

No bowling

The Presidio Bowling Center will be closed tomorrow and re-open at noon on Saturday.

Soldiers to test skills

Soldiers assigned to Headquarters Company, USAG will soon be testing their knowledge of their basic "soldiering" skills.

During the week of July 14-17 all E-1 through E-6 will be taking the Periodic Individual Qualification test.

The test will test the soldier's ability to perform common tasks for skill levels one and two on such subjects as land navigation, first aid, NBC, and M-16 rifle, hand grenades and security and intelligence.

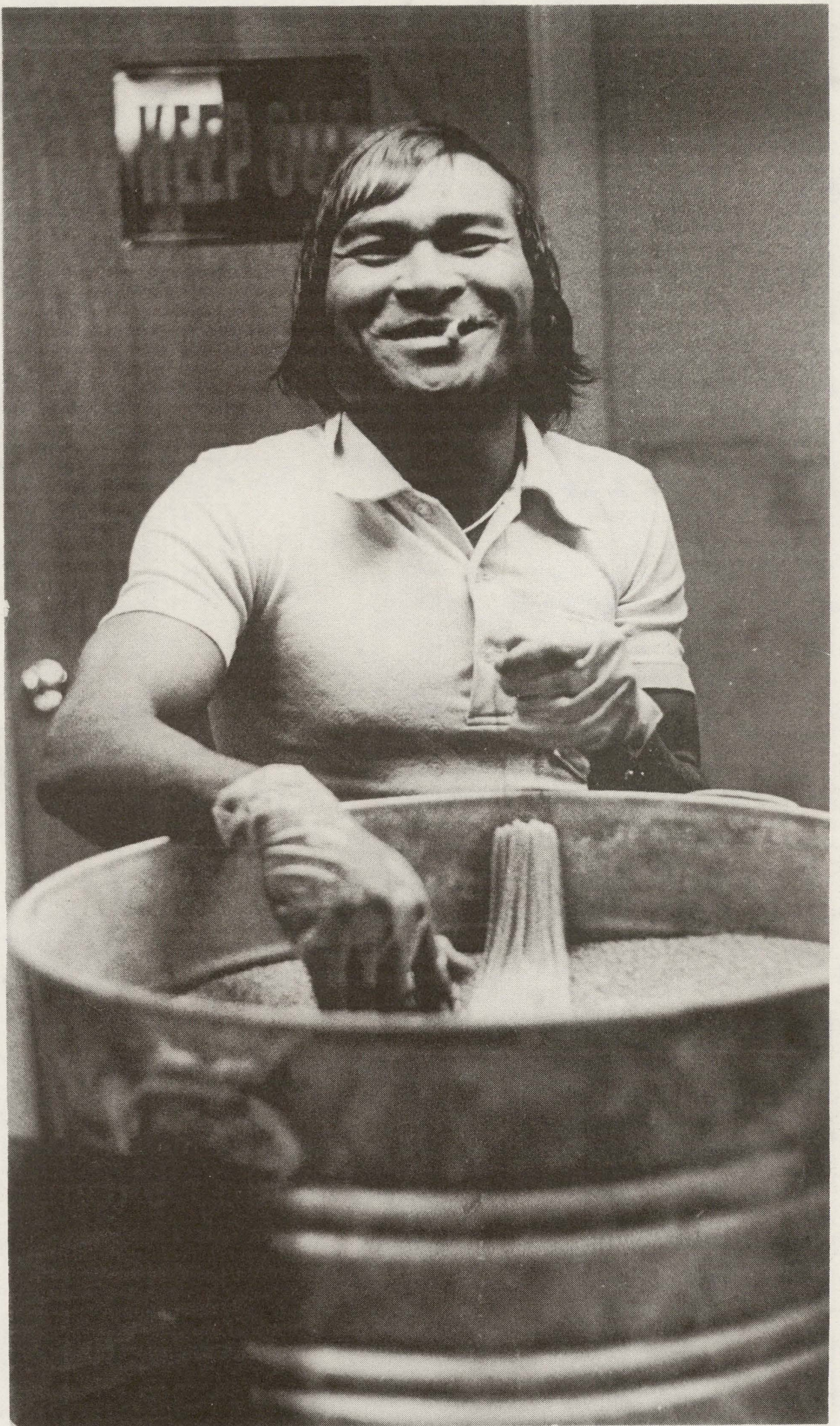
The test will be conducted hourly for 10 soldiers in the field between the Welcome Center and the LAMC women's barracks. Six test stations will be set up in each of the 10 lanes.

All soldiers who pass all stations and who receive a score of 400 points or more on the PT test will receive a letter of commendation from the post commander.

The PT test will be conducted at Fort Scott July 21-25.

Langellier honored

John Langellier, director of the Presidio Army Museum has been named the first winner of the Anne Stewart Higham Price as the best graduate student in history at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas.



A happy worker

This man seems to be enjoying his work. This Photo of the Week by Ken Juber will be the first one eligible for the new Photo of the Quarter contest. Each weekly winner will be held over until

Langellier, who has been director of the museum since it opened in 1973, has published more than 30 articles and a book on the Army's enlisted men's dress uniforms.

He is currently studying for his doctorate at the school, and is expected to return to the Presidio later this year.

No sale

The Star Presidian has been receiving a number of phone calls from persons desiring to place ads in the newspaper or Weekly Bulletin.

the end of the quarter for judging. The quarterly winner will receive a special certificate of achievement. If you have a photo you'd like to enter, bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

Since this is an Army authorized newspaper, we accept no advertising. All personal items to be sold must be directed to the Weekly Bulletin which is published by the Presidio Adjutant's Office.

The adjutant's office is located in the basement of building 220, post headquarters. For information on how to place an item in the bulletin call Mrs. Eilene Craig at 561-2045.

Articles on unit, agency or club activities can be submitted to the Star Presidian newsroom, in building 37 for consideration.

Army to keep Letterman open

Letterman Army Medical Center will remain open.

Announcement of the DoD decision was made by Mayor Dianne Feinstein Sunday evening.

Feinstein stated that she had been informed of the decision by President Carter a week ago.

The announcement ends a two year study by DoD into the possible closure of the Presidio, LAMC and our Letterman Army Institute of Research. The decision to maintain the post in

the "status quo" was made in Dec. 1979.

In deciding to keep Letterman open DoD also plans to spend more than \$17 million to improve the building's resistance during earthquakes.

It was not known whether any work would be done at LAIR which will also remain open.

LAMC public affairs officer, Chuck Dasey reacted to the news saying, "Most of the people here expected that DoD would decide to keep Letterman open."

"The decision allows the staff to continue to focus on providing the best possible care to the Presidio and to the Bay Area retired community."

"The announcement benefits LAMC's graduate medical education training programs because we are located close to many other major medical centers."

The decision also brought good news for Navy families as Oak Knoll Naval Medical Center will also remain open and will undergo construction to improve its earthquake safety.

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City youth work here

Post workforce grows a little younger



Close supervision

Ms. Mary Lockner of the CPO training branch, watches as Miss Chavette Gibson learns to type. Gibson is one of the more than 110 San Francisco

youths working on post this summer. More are expected in coming weeks. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

The Presidio work force grew a bit younger last week when more than 110 San Francisco youths were hired for part-time jobs.

Under the Comprehensive Education and Training Act, the youths, ages 15-18, will work four hours a day throughout the summer. They earn \$3.10 an hour which is paid by the city.

The youths are actually selected by teachers at their high schools and represents 12 percent of the total number of students picked in San Francisco.

The program is designed to provide students who meet certain economic standards with an opportunity to work while learning useful skills and gaining a better understanding of how their government works.

"I like working in this program because it gives me some type of experience," comments Miss Chavette Gibson a Galileo High School student working in the Civilian Personnel Office. "I will be able to use this experience if I apply for a job in an office. . . I am learning alot already."

The students aren't the only one's to benefit explains Mr. Alex Reyes, civilian personnel officer, "Summer employment of these youths provides the post with additional temporary resources to get work done that, because of other priorities and reduced staffing, has not yet been done."

"More importantly, it is an excellent opportunity to let the community know about the Army's mission, and serves as a good training experience for the young people who join the Presidio workforce."

For one young lady, the program offers more than just the opportunity to learn a skill. Miss Samui Ty, also a CPO employee, came to this country two years ago from Vietnam. She feels that working here will help her learn more about the American government and the Army.

"Before I came here I didn't even know about the Presidio. I hope to learn more about why it is here as well as learning new skills," Miss Ty commented.

The post has requested 180 students to fill openings in various agencies. Currently about 115 have been put to work other expected in the coming weeks.

The youths hold a variety of jobs including those as clerical, laborers, food service workers at Letterman Army Medical Center, and commissary employees.

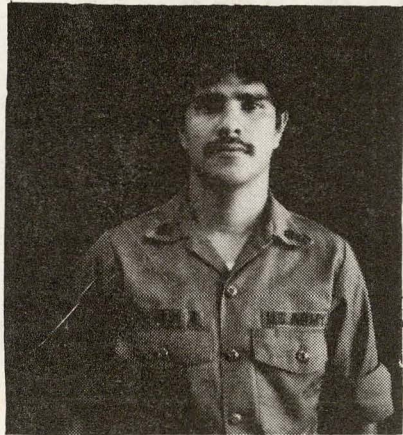
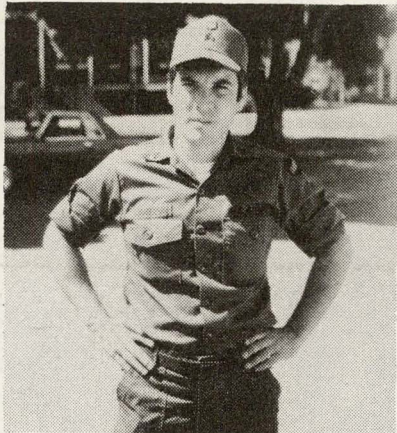
For some students the summer of 1980 will be just the beginning of a new relationship with the Presidio and the Army, states Reyes, "Frequently these folk return to the Presidio several times and performs increasingly useful tasks."

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

*Should alcoholics be rehabilitated
be discharged*

**Sgt. Danny Cameron,
USAG, Training NCO—**
"If they possess a desire
they should be rehabilitated, or else—let them
hit the road! Throw them
out."



**Sp5 David Ramirez,
Clerk, Med. Co. B,
LAMC—**"I feel the person should be rehabilitated because he is a hazard to himself, to the Army and his buddies in a war situation. If the alcoholic does not attend the program and progress, he should be discharged."

**Sp4 Darrel Bittle,
HHD, 504 MP Bn.—**"As long as the individual cooperates, the Army should do its best to rehabilitate. Beyond that, it's like flogging a dead horse."



**Sp4 Sandra Williams,
Welcome Center—**
"Everyone should have a chance to rehabilitate themselves. If not, they should be discharged."



**Mrs. Emiko Rutt,
Clothing Sales Store—**
"Send them to the program. If they don't progress, try harder. Get into their problems and try to solve it. They all need a chance."



Decision was wrong

Dear Editor,

Your article outlining the plea bargained sentence given Colonel Parini, former commander of the Sixth Region CID, was a perfect description of another unneeded "blackeye" for the Army.

I do not pretend to know all the facts behind this case. What I do know is that any officer who is entrusted with the responsibilities of command and then abuses them, for any reason, let alone the sexual deviations outlined in detail in the San Francisco Chronicle/Examiner, should be given no consideration for his past service.

If ever the Army had an opportunity to show that justice in the military establishment is equal to all, this was it.

I have a hard time buying the JAG's short spiel on "no considera-

tion being given to this officer because of his rank."

The cost to the government may be less in money, but what we lose in integrity and image to the public everytime we allow one of our ranking criminals to go free cannot be measured in dollars.

We at the Presidio are a community. If this man is again allowed to walk the streets of my community, I fear for my wife and teenage daughter. Then again, if some turkey makes moves on my wife, I hope he would have the good sense to fear for himself. I wonder if the ladies who Colonel Parini sexually abused, or their families, can take solace in his fine military record prior to his perpetration of the stated sex crimes.

Maj. Mark A. Smith

Dear Maj. Smith,

The Star Presidian is a newspaper. It can neither agree nor disagree with the sentence given to Col. Parini.

However, we are concerned when people cite evidence contained in one or two newspaper articles.

The American judicial system is based upon the concept of seeing that everyone has the right to a fair trial.

We must be careful not to judge others guilty or innocent based solely on what we read in the newspaper or hear on television.

The justice system is designed to protect the rights of the accused and complex rules have been written to guarantee this.

The results of the Parini trial are

the outcome of this system. We shouldn't judge its findings unless we are aware of all the facts in the case.

Because newspapers can only provide so much space to each story, certain facts are left out. Other facts can not be printed because of our Constitutional right to a fair and impartial trial. Therefore, it is possible for newspaper articles to present one-side views of the news. And in some cases, to present sensationalized stories in order to sell papers.

Whenever we look at a trial, we must try and find out all the facts before judging anyone guilty or innocent and before declaring a sentence fair or unfair.

The Editor

Thanks for your article

Dear Editor,

I really want to thank you for the article and photo of me that you put in the Star Presidian on Friday, June 20, 1980.

I feel that the added publicity helped the people of the Presidio to

understand my project a little bit better and that is just one of the reasons it was successful.

**Sincerely,
Todd Ansbacher
BSA Troop 77**

Dear Readers,

We were certainly happy to assist Todd with his project.

The Star Presidian is here to make the Presidio a better place to live and work. Todd's efforts are just an example of the type of stories we like to do.

Unfortunately, we don't hear about many such projects or

achievements. Therefore, many worthy stories go untold.

Each of you can help us do our job a little bit better by giving us a call if you know or hear of a story which might deserve Star Presidian coverage.

Please call us at 561-3908, and let us know how we can help.

The Editor

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Briefly

Knights want you

Do you have at least 150 free-fall jumps behind you?

Well, the U.S. Army Parachute Team (USAPT), **The Golden Knights**, is looking for qualified parachutists to join their team. The team's annual tryouts will be held Oct. 20 - Dec. 13.

To be eligible, individuals must meet the following criteria.

- Be active duty personnel, grade E1 through E6.
- Have at least 150 free-fall jumps.
- Be actively jumping with a ramair type (square) canopy.
- Have at least two years remaining on current enlistment as of Jan. 1, 1981, or be willing to extend or reenlist.
- Must not currently be on orders or alerted for overseas assignment.

Persons selected to try out for the team will be notified through command channels and placed on TDY or special duty with the parachute team. Selectees will receive specific equipment requirements and other needed instructions from the USAPT.

Interested Presidians may request tryout applications by writing the Commander, USAPT, Attn: Tryout NCOIC, P. O. Box 126, Fort Bragg, N. C. 28307 or calling AUTOVON 236-4800 or (919) 396-4828. The USAPT must receive completed applications no later than Sept. 15.

No Marine fatigues

The Army's new camouflage fatigues are scheduled to appear in fiscal year 1982. Some soldiers, however, are trying to get ahead of the game by buying the camouflage fatigues worn by Marines.

Currently, only those soldiers assigned to airborne units, special forces, the Army ranger units and other specific organizations listed in CTA 50-900, "clothing and individual equipment," are authorized to wear the camouflage fatigues Marines wear. If you're not authorized to wear them, don't buy them. You'll be stuck with uniforms you can't wear on duty.

Senate says no to cut

The Senate has decided not to cut the Army by 25,000 soldiers but seeks a higher percentage of high school graduates for the All-Volunteer Army.

Secretary of the Army, Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., said he was gratified that the senate did not see fit to vote any kind of reduction in end strength which would limit the Army's ability to accomplish its mission. At the same time, he said the Army is fully cognizant of the Senate's concern that the Army continue to do everything possible to recruit well qualified volunteers who are fully capable of performing the duties required of them. The Army, he said, is confident that, given the resources and incentive programs necessary to attract such young persons, it will succeed in achieving the standards expected of it.

In speeches here recently, Gen. E.C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, stated his opposition to the reduction due to its impact on management and readiness.



No ticker-tape parade here

SSgt. Terrence Brasel operates the new optical character reader recently installed at the Telecommunications Center on post. All post units

may use the equipment designed to save time and money. (Photo by Joe Gupta)

New machine will make message sending easier

by Joe Gupta

The Optical Character Reader, (OCR) will make its debut July 14 at the Presidio's Telecommunications Center.

Personnel at the TCC have been making preparations for the arrival of the equipment for over 18 months as have most other major military installations around the country.

The OCR reads both alphabets and numbers, and not human character as the name may suggest. Basically, the machine has a scanning device which reads electronically up to 80-characters per second. This compares favorably with the manual process which it replaces.

According to SSgt. Terrence Brasel, NCOIC, the machine has two major advantages:

- Messages are prepared and transmitted faster. He estimates that the machine can handle and transmit ten times the number of messages in a given amount of time as compared

to doing them manually.

- The machine eliminates the need for a teletype machine and operator because the messages will now be transmitted electronically. This means that in addition to the savings of labor there will be greater accuracy due to a fewer number of personnel handling a given message.

The Presidio units who use Message Form DD 173/3 (narrative messages) are now welcome to use the facilities of the OCR.

The TCC has been continuously seeking to serve the constituents of the Presidio in the most effective manner and welcomes the opportunity to continue to serve both proficiently and effectively.

Briefings on the capabilities of the OCR and its usage are being given on a regular basis. For details, contact, Brasel at 561-3313.

Army seeks talented soldiers for travel

The Army is looking for talented people who can "go on the road" in support of Army recruiting, according to Jim Hudgins, chief of community relations at the Presidio.

"It's all part of the total Army support the Army Chief of Staff is so much behind," said Hudgins. "We're looking for individuals or groups who can enhance the Army image through their performances in high schools or special public events."

The logistics of this effort are simple. Forces Command headquarters will provide a list of identified "talents" to the Army Recruiting Command. USAREC will then allow local recruiting

districts to make use of the people with the permission of the local commander.

"In the past," continued Hudgins, "USAREC has used musical groups, athletes and even accomplished chefs as part of their recruiting effort. But the number of such people is limited and transportation costs can be high. What we're hoping for is people from the Presidio who can help the USAREC effort in the northern California area."

Talented soldiers, or soldiers who feel that they have a talent to offer, can volunteer for the program by calling Hudgins in the Public Affairs Office at 561-2006.



All in an evening's work

This soldier typifies the way some Presidians spend their free time—out drinking. Many of them

have drinking problems, but don't realize it. Help is available through the alcohol and drug abuse program.

'I am. . . an alcoholic'

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article was presented to us voluntarily and represents the true story of one Presidian who is willing to reveal his problem so that he can help others.

My name is Major Jarrel Blake Wade and I am a recovering alcoholic.

At this point in my life, I have come to grips with this problem.

I have been in the Army for the past 13 years and until recently had abused alcohol for five of those years. I can't really tell why this has happened, but I have decided that it is time to give up the one weakness that has caused me to lose my family, many friends, and, as has happened to so many others, served to harm my Army career.

I was dependent on alcohol

After much reading and after attending over 200 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, I have come to the conclusion that I was dependent on the drug, "alcohol". I also learned though, that not by any means was I alone. Let's face it, Army personnel, young and old use some type of drugs to "get up" and also use them to "come down" again. We take it to help us feel better and to avoid feeling worse.

I find it very strange though that when I talk with other officers or enlisted men and women about drugs, alcohol is rarely mentioned. In fact, when I ask them what they consider the number one drug abuse problem in the Army to be, their replies seldom sway towards the word "alcohol". To be honest, until recently, my thoughts were very similar.

As I look back on my Army career, alcohol has played a very important role.

In 1967, when I came in the Army, as a married second lieutenant right out of college, it was, or at least seemed to me very important for one to be able to drink socially. That still has remained my thinking throughout the years.

Not meaning to make excuses, I feel it necessary to reevaluate the word "socially". I can

recall during these early years being very comfortable in the Army. I liked my job, the people, and last but not least, I liked the social part very much. This played a big role in my decision to make the Army my career.

Everyone gets 'blown away'

As a company commander, every Friday afternoon it was mandatory that my personnel attend the particular sports function in which we were participating. To make sure everyone would have a good time, my senior NCOs, with my permission, would buy enough alcoholic beverages to get each man "blown away" if he so desired. My thinking during that time went something like this, "you're not a man unless you drink" or "we deserve to let our hair down."

As I look back on it, I realize now that many of my soldiers needed help with their drinking but, unfortunately at the time, this thought never entered my mind. I truly feel sorry for this now.

During my research I took notes on particular items that dealt with alcohol abuse in the Army, such as, of all the drugs of abuse, alcohol is seen as presenting the greatest problem. It accounts for more than half the military police blotter entries.

Alcohol abuse is at the root of a lot of other problems; domestic quarrels, spouse and child abuse, physical illness, brawling, automobile accidents, absenteeism, tardiness, and of course, indebtedness. I only wish I could have been aware of this many years ago.

Imbedded in social life

Alcohol intoxication and hangovers on the job are the cause of work errors and irrational decision making. I must admit that in these past two years, alcohol has seemed to be still deeply imbedded in the Army's social life, both on and off duty, but there is a diminishing emphasis on its use.

Getting "loaded" is no longer "A-OK". Rarely do officer and NCO clubs throw the wild parties that they did in the past. Commanders are less

inclined to insist that subordinates join them for drinks during duty hours or after work. In fact, it is now socially and professionally acceptable to choose not to drink at all.

Looking back over my time in the Army, one of the biggest problems has been that commanders are unwilling to address alcohol abuse head-on simply because many of them are insecure about their own drinking habits.

It is true that there are commanders who do not drink at all but some have hang-ups about dealing with alcohol abusers. They are reluctant to appear to impose their strict standards on their subordinates because it is still not acceptable in the Army to appear to be a "lifer".

Army not alone

It is also true that the Army is not alone when it comes to alcohol abuse. For instance, in general, it is estimated that there are 20 million Americans who are chronic misusers. This person affects the lives of at least four other people. This means that there are 70-80 million people affected by alcohol misuse or abuse.

I was also surprised that over 30,000 people are killed annually by drivers who have been drinking. During the Vietnam conflict from 1961 to 1971, 45,000 Americans were killed. During this same period, over 200,000 people were killed on the highways in alcohol-related accidents.

I really believe that the Army is interested in helping its own, not punishing them for drinking too much.

I also believe that 90 percent of the military population is involved with alcohol. This of course does not include Army dependents, both adult and children, who also drink or have problems with alcohol.

As a recovering alcoholic, I have decided to continue with my Army career as long as I can. I have also decided to try and help other problem drinkers fight their battle against alcohol.

Alcoholism is truly a disease but with strength and abstinence from alcohol a soldier can continue to be a productive human being.

I hope the higher echelon will continue to assist in providing programs that will help not only the alcoholic but their families as well.

Alcoholics can get help here

by Jon Chelgren

It is a disease which afflicts two out of every 10 persons who drink—deeply and tragically affects many other "innocent bystanders" and it ranks as one of the nation's top health problems. The disease is alcoholism.

According to Melinda McQuiston, clinical director of the Presidio's alcohol and drug assistance branch, **alcoholism is no stranger to the Presidio**. She says her staff sees 30 to 40 people per month and that about two-thirds of those are for alcohol abuse.

As Eldridge Cunningham, a counselor with eight years experience, explains, "Usually what happens is that an individual is identified by his supervisor or a friend may suggest that he needs help or he may come down on a voluntary referral when he recognizes he has a problem and that he has to do something about it."

That last category, voluntary referrals, is the smallest number say the counselors for a variety of reasons.

SSgt. Joe Hallam, also a counselor, says, "It's the very nature of the disease. The three symptoms of alcoholism are **denial**, **deny** that it's there; **rationalization**, rationalize all sorts of reasons for why it happens; and **minimizing**, minimize the effect on other people."

Cunningham agrees, saying, "To arrest the disease, a person would have to get past the denial process. If a person is denying he has an alcohol problem, he isn't going to . . . turn himself in voluntarily to a program."

But early identification has to rely on people around the alcoholic—supervisors, family, friends—says Hallam.

Cunningham says that once the disease reaches the stage of physical addiction, "It becomes much more difficult to treat . . . because the first thing we have to do is try and get them into a detoxification program."

Ms. McQuiston also notes that despite the Army's changing attitudes toward alcohol rehabilitation, "I think that there is still a very strong feeling . . . that if you're treated for alcoholism your career is over."

As a measure of the changing attitudes, Cunningham says, "A couple of years ago, supervisors and company commanders leaned toward putting the man out of the service. There's been much more willingness (lately) to work with us and—the individual to give him as much of an opportunity as he can to straighten himself out."

Hallam says that the staff at the Presidio sees a number of soldiers who have been covered for at other assignments.

"This being a very senior post," he notes, "it becomes apparent that at some other places, the referrals don't run in the senior ranks because they are of 'taken care of' until they retire."

He says that the bottom line on that is that the individual then "ends up in a program or dead."

Counselors say that those who cover for an alcoholic are really doing him no favor at all.

For those who have questions about their own or someone else's drinking, the counselors suggest that they contact the drug and alcohol office.

As Hallam says, "If a supervisor has somebody in their shop that they're concerned about, they can come on down and bounce it off on us. Then what we can do is aid that supervisor in planning an intervention."

The Alcohol and Drug Assistance Branch is located at Crissy Field in building 909. The phone number is 561-5433.

Marriage is the loser in couple's three year battle against the bottle



On the inside looking out

Problem drinkers often find themselves all alone.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The couple described in this story is real. Their names have been changed at their request to preserve their anonymity.

by Jon Chelgren

Helpless. That's how Mary describes her life as the wife of an alcoholic.

"It was hell," she says, "watching the man I love killing himself and not knowing what I could do to help."

Mary and her husband, Jack, married almost three years ago. According to Mary, Jack was intelligent, had already reached the rank of E-5 and was headed for an early promotion to E-6. She says her husband received many compliments on the job.

After their wedding, however, Jack's alcohol problem began to surface.

"For a while," Mary says, "I didn't realize he was drinking that much. At first we only saw each other on the weekends, because I was going to school. We would go out and party, but I didn't know that (my husband) kept drinking like that during the week."

After she left school, however, her perception changed.

"He would come home," Mary says, "and would already have had half a six pack. He would start complaining about everything to me, the house, the people in the office, and he would keep on drinking."

More often than not, Jack's nightly binges ended when he passed out on the couch, she says, or with a bloody argument. On several occasions, Mary felt threatened and a couple of times, she says she was physically abused by Jack.

But she stayed with Jack she says because she kept thinking that on or two arguments aren't

worth giving up a marriage.

Staying with Jack meant that Mary's life dissolved into kind of a full-time babysitting role.

"It was sad to see a full-grown man," she says, "who couldn't take care of himself. Every morning I had to run around and help him find his clothes and get dressed and get his breakfast and his things together for the office."

"It's strange," Mary says, "you hear so much about alcohol but you never really know what to do. I always thought (my husband) was an intelligent man. I just couldn't understand why he couldn't control his drinking."

Mary tried a variety of "home cures" on Jack, all with effects ranging from zilch to disaster.

"I was confused, hurt, and depressed," she says. "I didn't know what to do and began thinking something was wrong with me. I tried to help, but it just didn't work. First I tried being a 'buddy' and drinking along with him, but that only got both of us drunk. I couldn't ignore it and I couldn't fight back."

Mary finally did leave Jack, after he threatened to kill her during a particularly ugly argument.

Taking a vacation, Mary tried to clear her mind and decide what to do. While she was gone, Jack sensed that things had gotten out of hand, and volunteered for an alcohol rehabilitation program.

While rehab worked to "cure" Jack's drinking and gave him a start toward working out some other problems, the strained relations with his wife were at the breaking point.

The long nights while Jack was drinking have left deep scars and opened wounds that won't heal . . . Jack and Mary are planning a divorce, their marriage the ultimate victim of Jack's drinking.

Time to spare

Festival, jazz concert upcoming events

"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" runs tonight at 8 p.m. at the Little Theatre at San Francisco State for \$3.50. Additional performances are slated for tomorrow at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 8 p.m. For more information call 469-2467.

Tomorrow and Sunday the Obon Festival happens at the Japan Center on Post and Buchanan Streets. The festival starts at 1:30 p.m. with a performance by the Michiya Hanayagi dancers and continues through 7 p.m. when the Toro Nagashi or floating lantern ceremony begins. Sunday at 1 p.m., several hundred costumed dancers will participate in the Bon Odori or bon dance. All activities are free.

Sunday the Preservation Hall Jazz Band performs a free concert in the Sigmund Stern Grove at 2 p.m. The concert by New Orleans' most famed jazz group is part of the continuing Midsummer Music festival sponsored by the Stern Grove Association and the Recreation and Park Department.

Also on Sunday a local bike shop is sponsoring the Le Tour De sanFRANCEcisco, a 50 kilometer bicycle race beginning at 7:30 a.m. The race course runs from Fort Mason across the Presidio and Golden Gate Park, around Lake Merced and back to Crissy Field. Grand prize is a free two-week trip to Paris and Nice, France. Contact the San Francisco Cyclery at 221-2412 for more details.

The Fort Mason Center is holding a class tomorrow entitled "Make your own Auto Fuel for 43¢ a Gallon." The course promises participants that they can "be energy self-sufficient and never have to buy gasoline again." Class beings at 10 a.m. and costs \$45. Call 662-6338 for more details.

A new calligraphy class starts Monday at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Selwyn Jones of the De Young Museum is the instructor for the four-week course. Cost is \$15.

Also at the Rec Center, the Presidio Chess Club holds its initial meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. All class players are welcome.

Every Thursday at the Rec Center guitar lessons are offered at 7 p.m. Cost for four weeks of instruction is \$10.

The center also offers ongoing lessons in pool on Thursdays at 7 p.m. and dynamic dance on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

The Rec Center is also sponsoring a tour to the Hearst Castle, July 26, leaving at 8 a.m. Cost is \$10.

For additional information on these or other rec center activities, call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.



Seals of approval

These California Sea Lions, the oldest performing troupe in the United States, try and impress their trainer Pat Turley with their zany antics during Marine World/Africa USA's Sea Lion Show. This

act serves as a prelude to Marine World's spectacular Killer Whale Show, one of six major

animal shows at the Redwood City wildlife park.

Presidio youths between 12 and 18 years old are invited to compete in the Third Annual City Junior Novice Tennis Championships at the Golden Gate Park Tennis Courts Aug. 4-8. Deadline for entries is July 21. For more information call the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department at 558-4054.

Journey headlines a day-long concert at the Oakland Coliseum July 27 beginning at 10 a.m.

Included in the list of entertainers appearing are Black Sabbath, Cheap Tricks, Molly Hatchet and Angel City. Tickets are \$13.50 in advance and \$15.50 the day of the show and are available through BASS outlets.

Discount tickets for the play "I Do, I Do," at the Golden Gate Theater for July 24 are available at the Presidio Recreation Center. Cost for the \$14 is \$12.

Swim program's aim is physical fitness

One of the most popular summer sports is swimming. Here at the Presidio a great deal of work is being directed at improving the post swimming program.

The pool staff, headed by Mr. Noli Manas, is working to develop a variety of programs to meet the diversified needs of Presidio swimmers. One of these programs that has been quite successful is the Masters Swim Ladder that was introduced several weeks ago. To date there have been 30 records set in 13 events covering six age categories ranging from 19 through 59.

Leading the masters swim ladder in records is "Iron Man" Don Roberts, a cardiac pediatrician, from Letterman Army Medical Center.

Roberts has established 13 pool records in a variety of events including the 50 yard butterfly and 1000 yard freestyle. The swimming phenomenon from LAMC not only set 13 records in forty-five through forty-nine year old age group, but did it all in the course of one and one-half hours. This

was considered an extraordinary feat worthy of recognition.

Another doctor who has established five records at the pool in the 35-39 age group is Fred Stoddard, a psychiatrist.

Stoddard with his powerful, smooth stroke and snappy flip-turns has turned in record times in the 50, 100, 200, 400 and 1000 yard freestyle.

Other swimmers holding records at the pool are Tim Berger, who holds records in 200, 400 and 1000 yard freestyle; speedstar, Gib Eggen, who has posted quick record times in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle; and Ken Smith, coach Don Perez and pool manager, Manas.

A very important aspect of this swimming ladder is the feedback that it gives to the swimmers that are working out on a daily basis. More specifically, the improvement of swimming and overall fitness is the program's main objective.

The pool staff is available to all patrons,

beginners and advanced, with the hope of getting more people involved in this program. Record setting is not the main objective in this program. The real aim or goal is increased participation and a higher level of individual aerobic fitness.

Other activities gaining support are as follows: plans for an aerobic training center in the balcony of our building; water basketball; water volleyball; and underwater hockey.

Finally, training for those individuals interested in competing in biathlons will be offered. Recently, Allen Posey of the lifeguard staff competed in a biathlon in South San Francisco. He placed 17th in a field of 97 competitors. A time of 44:36 for the 2.6 mile run and one mile ocean swim was quite impressive for Posey's first attempt at this event.

If you have questions or an interest in our programs or activities, please call Manas, or Ray Mey, swimming program director at 561-3673.

Sports

50 km bike race cuts through post Sunday

A 50 kilometer bicycle race is expected to draw thousands of bikers to the Presidio Sunday but should not create any major traffic difficulties, according to a spokesman for the post Provost Marshal's office.

SSgt. Eric Marshall, NCOIC of the Traffic division, says, "No areas are actually going to be closed down (by the race). I wouldn't say it is going to be a serious problem."

Along the race course, Marshall explains only part of one lane will be closed. The affected

streets are the marina entrance, Halleck St. and Lincoln Blvd.

Marshall does advise motorists to "stay clear of Lincoln Blvd. between 7:30 and 9 a.m. and 3 and 5 p.m.," as one means of relieving traffic congestion.

The race, Le Tour De sanFRANCEisco, is being sponsored by a local bike shop as a part of an annual festival celebrating Bastille Day when French revolutionaries stormed the Bastille prison more than 190 years ago.

Grand prize for the race is a two-week all

expense paid vacation to Paris and Nice, France.

The race starts at Fort Mason at 7:30 Sunday, crosses the Presidio and heads out 25th Ave. After winding through Golden Gate Park and around Lake Merced, the racers will head back through post for the finish along the Golden Gate Promenade at Crissy Field.

Those interested in competing can do so by contacting the San Francisco Cyclery in advance at 221-2412 or by registering between 6 and 7 a.m. the morning of the race at Pier 2 at Fort Mason.

LAMC 2 downs USAG 19-7

The 1980 slow pitch softball season is nearing its finale, with the post championship tournament scheduled for the end of July.

The tournament will consist of the top eight military teams squaring off in a double elimination tournament. The teams highly favored to win in descending order are as follows: Doctors (14-2); LAMC No. 2 (13-1); USAG (11-3); and Sixth Army (9-3).

The game of the week, saw LAMC No. 2 defeating Hq. Co. USAG 19-7. In a game that was anticipated as being close, LAMC No. 2 pounded the garrison into submission, with 16 base hits.

Mets top division

The Presidio Mets have wrapped up Division A of the Major League Bantam season and will face the Division B winner, San Francisco No. 4, in a best two out of three series starting tomorrow.

In the Bantam Minor League, the Presidio Seals still remain undefeated and have wrapped up first place in their league. Second place is still up for grabs between the Padres, Oaks and Oakland. The season will conclude in the next two weeks.

League Standings

Seals	10-0
Padres	7-4
Oaks	6-4
Oakland	5-4
Stars	3-6
Totems	3-8
Solons	1-9

Fun Run set

The monthly fun run race will be held on July 16 beginning at noon.

The course will be five miles long, starting and finishing at Gym No. 1.

The route consists of rolling hills with a fast downhill finish.

Each finisher will receive his place and time upon completion of the course. There is no entry fee or awards.

Registration will be at Gym No. 1 on the day of the race.

This is a fun way to test yourself, meet other runners, workout or just cruise the course.

Champions win

The Champions shook off a slow first-half for a strong second half and defeated the Traveller's, 70-56.

The second game was a thriller with the Lakers narrowly defeating a much improved Hawks, 77-76. Both teams battled to the very end.

Other results during the week are as follows:

Hawks	53	vs.	Bullets	79
Lakers	78	vs.	Champions	83



Pointing the way

Runner, Stan Cottrell, smiles for the camera as he heads for San Francisco City Hall and the end of his cross country run. Cottrell began his 3,100 mile odyssey in New York.

He took 48 days to complete the run eclipsing the old Guinness Book of records mark by five days. Cottrell ran through the Presidio on his way to City Hall. (Photo by Ken Juber)

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Senate OKs 11.7 hike

In last minute action before recessing until July 25, the senate approved a special 11.7 percent pay increase for members of the Armed Forces July 2.

The special pay provision was part of the fiscal year 1981 Defense Authorization Bill which passed by an 84-3 vote. The 11.7 percent pay hike was just one of several recommendations made by the Senate Armed Services Committee on pay and benefits that the senate approved.

A joint house-senate conference will have to be held on the authorization bill because the house's version does not contain the special pay provision.

Other actions designed to improve the soldier's quality of life taken by the senate included:

- An increase in per diem for TDY;
- An increase in CHAMPUS maximum coverage for handicapped from \$350 to \$1,000;
- A family separation allowance for E-4s and below with four or less years of service who are going on unaccompanied overseas tours;
- A one year extension of bonuses and educational assistance for the National Guard and Army Reserve;
- An increase in maximum enlistment/reenlistment bonuses for certain skills.

For a private stationed at the Presidio, the raise could amount to approximately \$59. For an E-4 with three years service, the hike could put about \$71 additional in his pocket. An E-6 with 8 years of service might take home \$95 before taxes and a major with 12 years service might bring in another \$134.

Recycling tomorrow

Recycling for the month of July will be held **tomorrow**. Quarter residents are reminded to have newspapers and aluminum cans ready for pick-up between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Proceeds from the recycling center go to help various youth groups on post.

Docs get more pay

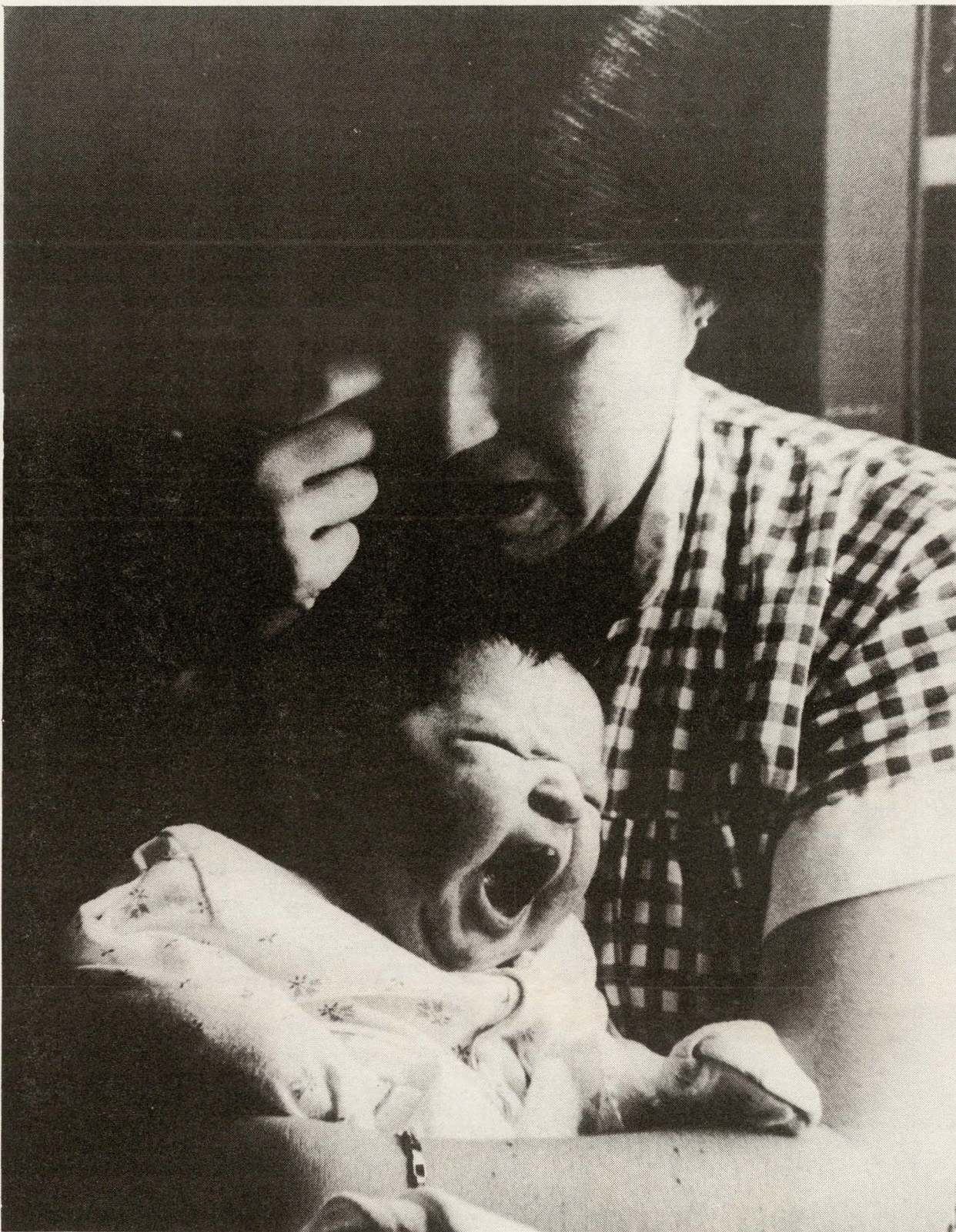
Letterman Army Medical Center's active duty doctors will find a little extra money on their pay checks starting this month.

Under a new pay law, most military physicians can expect to see an increase in the special pay they receive.

The Uniformed Services Health Professionals Special Pay Act of 1980, passed by Congress and signed into law by the president on June 28, creates a new special pay system. This system went into effect July 1. The new law is expected to enhance recruitment of physicians and encourage them to continue on active duty.

Under this law, physicians who are not in training could receive from \$16,000 to \$21,000 per year in special pay as compared to the previous range of \$13,200 to \$17,000.

In return for an active duty agreement, a physician with less than 10 years creditable service will receive a yearly lump sum payment of \$9,000 while a military physician with 10 or more years of service will get \$10,000. Physicians in an



Not the Three Little Pigs again

Little Jennifer Edwards seems bored by her mother Nancy. Her father, SSgt. Jim Edwards caught this shot to earn the Photo of the Week award. Jim's photo will be added to last week's

winner to compete for the new Photo of the Quarter Award. Winners of the quarterly contest will receive a special certificate. If you have a photo, bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

internship or initial residency program are not eligible for this type of pay.

Variable special pay, another of the special pays, **will be given to all military physicians on active duty regardless of status.** Payments will range from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per year depending on a physician's years of creditable service, with the exception that interns will receive \$1,200.

Physicians who are board certified could receive up to \$5,000 a year. The amount authorized—from \$2,000 to \$5,000—will depend

on a physician's years of creditable service.

Variable and board certified special pays will be paid on a monthly basis.

Beside the above special pays, which are entitlements by law, some physicians could receive an additional bonus called incentive pay. This payment will be made at the Secretary of Defense's discretion based on such criteria as critical specialties, and remote duty. Although this pay may range up to \$8,000 per year, the annual amount spent may not exceed six percent of the total special pay budget for the fiscal year.

Friese honored for work at Pre-school and Letterman

Sp6 Stephen Friese has been named the Presidio's Citizen of the Quarter.

Friese who works in the Letterman Army Medical Center's Department of Nursing was honored for his effort at the Presidio Pre-school and for driving patients to baseball and football games.

During his five years on post, Friese served two years as vice-president of the Pre-school council, and the past three years as its president.

He spent many hours attending budget and counsel meetings, planning and implementing fund raising events, moving fur-

niture, painting playground equipment and installing protective padding around swings and slides to help insure playground safety.

In addition, Friese played Winnie-the-Pooh for a Halloween parade and Santa Claus at Christmas.

On the weekends, Friese drove an Army bus allowing patients from LAMC to attend home baseball and football games.

Friese, who departed Thursday for Saudi Arabia is married and has four children. His wife, Gerry, is employed in the Civilian Personnel office and will be remaining at the Presidio.

504th heads for Cuban refugee center

by Jon Chelgren

A 26-man contingent from the 504th MP Battalion at Fort Scott will be heading for Fort Chaffee, Ark., in August to help provide security at the Cuban refugee processing center there.

According to battalion CSM George Cruz, few details of the move announced Monday are available.

The battalion contingent will oversee the 571st MP Company from Fort Ord during the estimated 90-day stay at Fort Chaffee.

Cruz said Wednesday that the 26 persons going to Fort Chaffee have been identified and that coordination with the 571st is well underway.

Cruz notes that with as few details as are

available at this point an exact date for the 504th's departure has not been set, although it is expected to be sometime in August.

Since the move affects mainly leadership positions at the 504th, it is not expected to have any effect on security at the Presidio, Cruz said.

The move is part of a 90-day rotation scheme for active Army units assisting in the processing operations.

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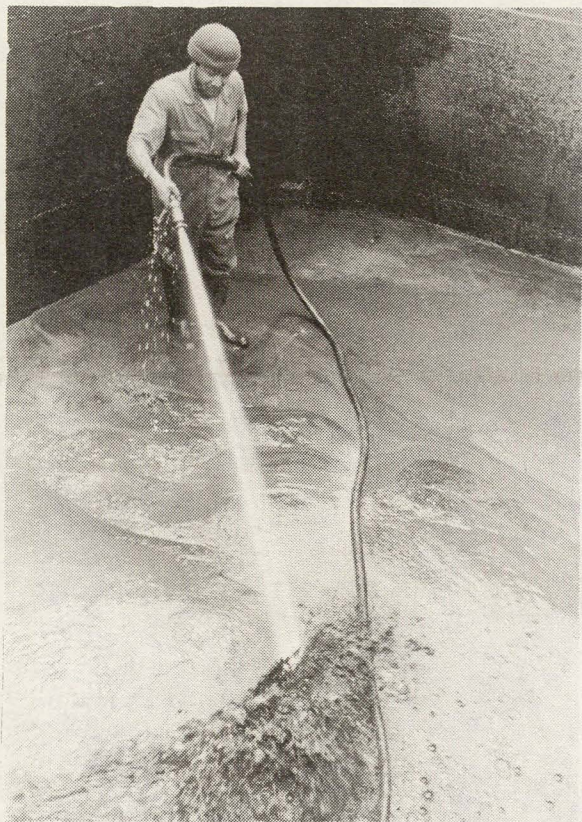
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Lobos Creek

Water declared safe after mud slide contamination



A workman at the purification plant hoses some of the silt out of a settling tank following the Lobos Creek mud slide.

by Jon Chelgren and Joe Gupta

The water supply for half of the Presidio was declared safe Monday afternoon following a mud slide into Lobos Creek last week which left an estimated three thousand persons without clean drinking water over the weekend.

The water was contaminated sometime late Thursday or early Friday morning when part of the bank eroded into Lobos Creek. A fire hydrant behind the reserve center was left running all night and caused what the facilities engineers called "excessive wash action."

Workmen at the Baker Beach water purification plant noticed silt and mud clogging sand filters at the plant shortly after they reported to work Friday morning.

Many residents in the affected area—the side of post west of 19th Ave.—also noticed something was wrong Friday morning when they turned on their taps or showers and got blasts of muddy water.

Officials switched to the city water supply after the contamination was discovered, but dirt already in the system kept Presidio water mucky most of the weekend.

In addition, officials were unable to certify the water system safe until they had run extensive tests for bacteria as well as analyzing the content

of the soil which contaminated the creek.

Military policemen patrolled through the affected neighborhoods shortly before noon Friday advising residents not to drink the water.

Late Friday evening, leaflets were distributed repeating that warning and advising residents to either boil their water or decontaminate it with bleach before use.

The results of the first series of tests for bacteria came back Saturday afternoon. According to Capt. John Yasalonis, LAMC environmental science officer, 16 samples were taken from throughout the water supply system. The first two samples, taken from the creek side of the plant, showed "more bacteria than you could count," Yasalonis said. The samples from the purification plant, however, showed that it continued doing its job despite the mud and silt in the water, he continued.

Yasalonis said additional samples were taken Saturday morning to verify the initial results.

According to post Fire Chief Bill Williams, it was the second time in a year that Lobos Creek had been contaminated. Williams said both cases were caused by unauthorized use of the hydrant by the ball field at the reserve center. He added that the hydrant will be secured in the future to prevent it from happening again.

(For related story and photos, see page 4.)

Nine honored as Employees of the Year

The Presidio of San Francisco's Employee of the Year Award was presented to nine persons yesterday in recognition of the contributions they have made to the community.

The awards were presented in nine categories to the following individuals:

Professional	Eric Saul
Administrative	Nadine Gudgeon
EEO	Wanda Greer
Technical	Geraldine M. Gookin
Service to the Community	G. Stephen Lazar
Handicapped	Susan M. Molinari
Clerical	May Matsunaga
Management	Donald Herington
Trades and crafts	Clarence E. Jump

The winners were selected from among 40 other nominees and are the first recipients of the award. Judging was conducted by the local Incentive Awards Committee. Other nominated for the award include:

Susan Johnson
Franklin Goodwin
Kathleen Coffey
Shirley Damm
Jean Beckman
Victor Albonico
Roberto Gonzales
Donald N. Krueger
Barry Gaab
Stephen Tesh
Ira Jenkins
Prince Hill
Felix Douglas
Eileen Craig
Charolette Connor

Ethan De George
Daniel Holmes
Lidja Hudnell
W.H. Prugh
Irma De Martini
David A. Cary
Almeda Welch
Nina Mitchell
Ernest DePaul
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Rodney Williams
Eileen Strearrow
Ruth Cofer
Sharon Wheeler
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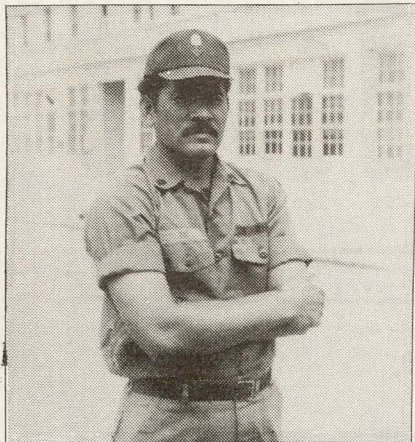
All nominations submitted for the post award are being forwarded to the San Francisco Federal Executive Board to be considered for the Bay Area honor.

The winners were selected because of the uniqueness of the employee's contribution, its value and impact to the organization and the individual's overall performance as a federal employee.

Opinion

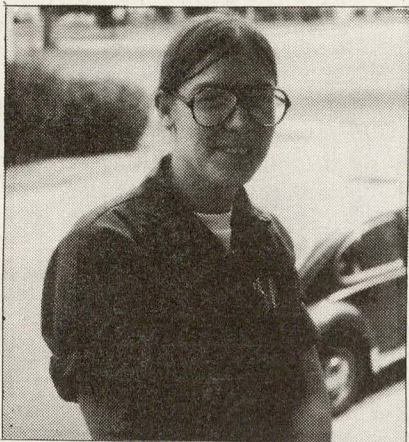
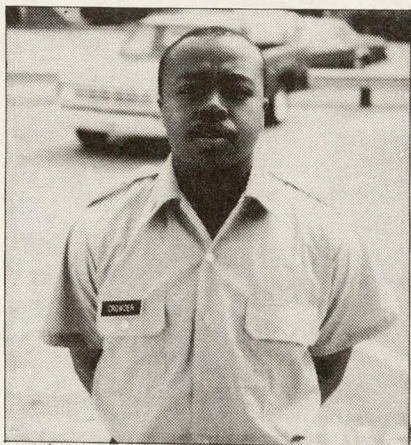
Ramblin' Sam

How did the dirty water affect you?



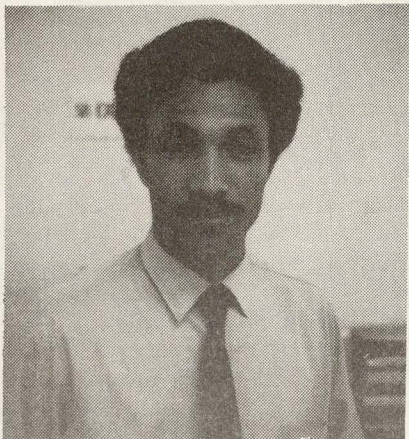
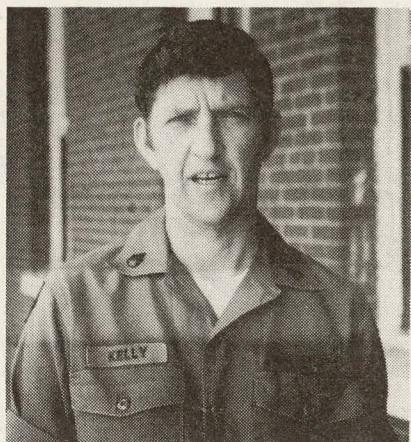
Sp5 Lepe Tei, Post Headquarters—“No problem to me. I was out of town during the weekend. I could have managed with a little effort like everyone else.”

Sp4 Eric Crowder, PMO—“I had a drink of water before the MP's came to inform us not to drink the water. Afterwards, I felt funny all day long. I quest it must have been psychological.”



Sp4 Lori Hatmaker, COMPACT—“I didn't know until I saw the television news on Friday evening. I was angry! My family drank a lot of soda pop during the crisis period.”

SSgt. Claude Kelly, USAG—“I don't drink too much water. The little that I do is in the form of coffee or tea. Since this needs boiling anyway, it was no problem... I am concerned for the folks who do drink a lot of water.”



Sp5 Robert Moffett, Compact—“Fortunately, I was out of town. When I heard about it, it sounded scary. I have a little boy of three and you can't control kids all the time.”

I can't agree

Dear Editor,

I wish to thank Maj. Mark A. Smith for voicing the frustrations that many of us feel in his letter to you in the July 11 Star Presidian. However, I wish to take issue with your response. First, you cautioned that “We must be careful not to judge others guilty or innocent based solely on what we read in the newspaper or hear on television.” As you recall, Col. Parini was allowed to plead **GUILTY** to lesser charges in return for no confinement. Therefore, it's not really a matter of judging the individual as judging the sentence received and the decision to enter into a pre-trial agreement.

You further said that “We shouldn't judge its findings unless we are aware of all the facts in the case.” Having filed the complaint against Col. Parini, I am probably far more aware of the facts than most people, including the board of

officers, since the stipulated testimonies were only skeletal outlines of the actual situation.

I do completely agree that “...it is possible for newspaper articles to present one-sided views of the news,” as evidenced by the July 3 article headed, “Pre-trial agreement cuts sentence, Parini pleads guilty to sex crimes,” where three paragraphs dealt with the charges and sentence and the remaining 23 paragraphs were in defense of the pre-trial agreement. Isn't it ludicrous, that the judicial system continues to add more and more complex laws to protect the accused and the rest of society must fend for itself?

I share Maj. Smith's concerns and hope that the convicted individual doesn't feel that he has gotten away with something and try the same thing again. I would not wish that situation on any woman, and the next one may not be so lucky!

Capt. Karen J. Kenyon

Dear Capt. Kenyon,

Thank you for your letter. We can only say that in our coverage of the Parini case we were not trying to defend the sentence. We were merely trying to explain compli-

cated pretrial agreement procedures for the benefit of an audience who may or may not have understood how such agreements are arrived at.

The Editor

Justice for whom?

Dear Editor,

Many thanks to Maj. Smith for the stand he took on the Parini decision. If the Star Presidian had dared to report the facts of the trial, there is no doubt in my mind that this military community would be in an uproar. You, the editor, say we cannot judge by a few newspaper articles. What is there to judge? He pleaded guilty, didn't he? And (he) received only a fine, one which will probably never be imposed.

Take the recent article in the Army times reporting that an enlisted servicewoman had sexually

harrassed a serviceman by touching his groin area. She is now sitting in Leavenworth stripped of all rank and pay, while Parini sits at home collecting \$3500. And you have the nerve to talk about justice being served? Justice for whom?

I can't believe he as an MP colonel judged by eight other colonels didn't have anything to do with his light sentence.

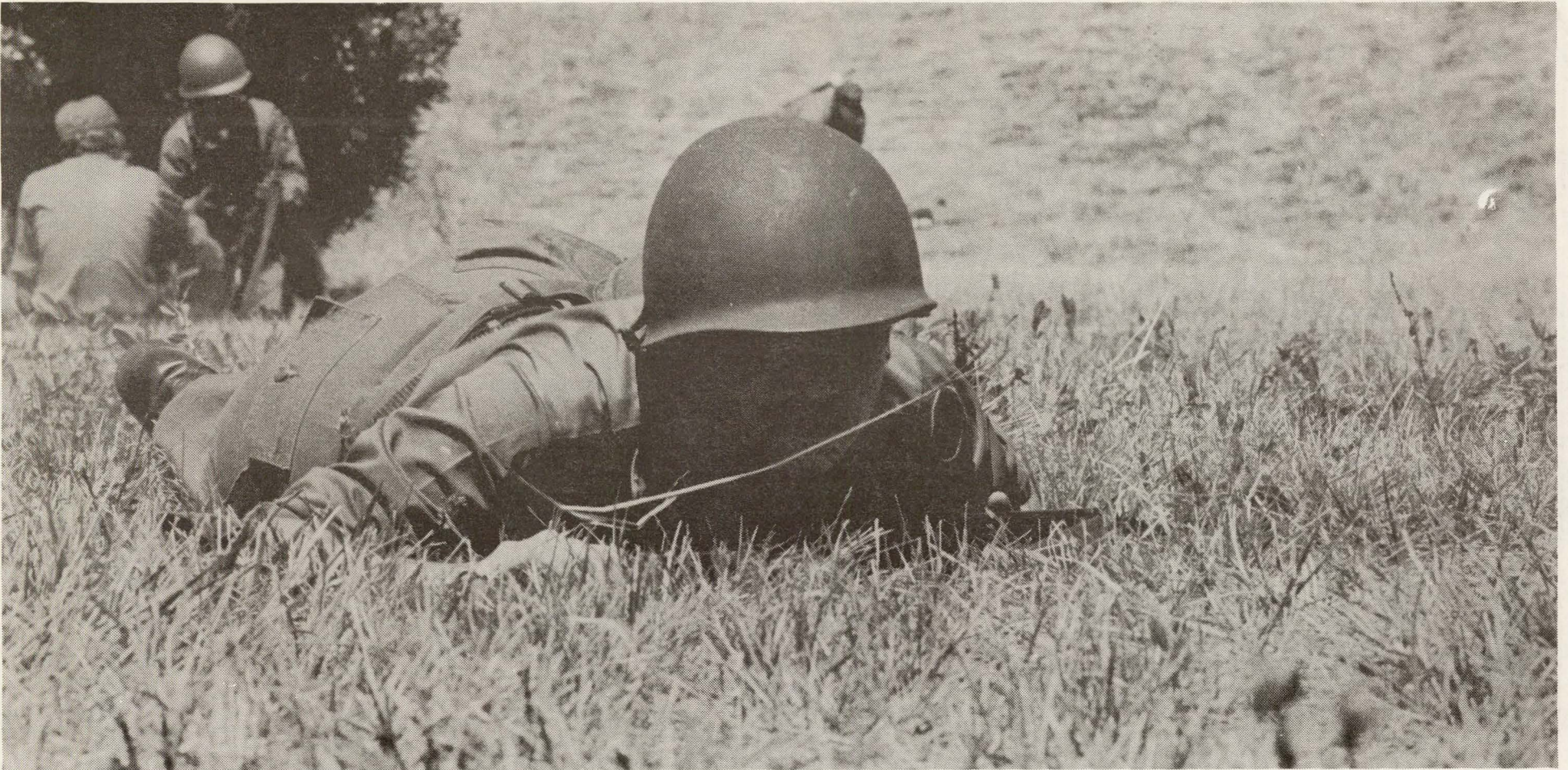
I only hope this outrageous decision doesn't stop other women from exercising their rights against being sexually abused.

Sp5 Linda Pallares

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COMPACT's Sp4 Lee Maurer low crawls his way across the PIQ course on his way to the hand grenade range.



Pvt. Lydia Orozco dons her mask during a simulated NBC attack.

PIQ tests post soldiers' combat skills

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Presidio soldiers got a chance to show what they had learned during a "hands on" Periodic Individual Qualification (PIQ) test held Monday through Thursday.

According to Capt. Ben Agustin, training officer for the Directorate of Plans, Training and Security, the PIQ was designed to work hand in hand with upcoming Skill Qualification Tests as well as a measure of what soldiers had learned during SQT training sessions held by their sections.

Agustin said the tests and testing standards were gleaned from the common tasks manuals for over 40 military occupational specialties. Soldiers from all over post were tested in only those tasks that they would be required to know for their respective SQT tests.

Those skills ranged from simple assembly and disassembly of the M16 for most to a hand grenade range for others. Additional skills tested included first aid, NBC and security and intelligence.

To add a touch of realism to the tests, soldiers walked the test course under simulated combat conditions. Snipers were positioned on the course to test the individual's responses and reaction to drawing fire.

Masking procedures were also tested under combat conditions. As a soldier walked his course, smoke grenades were set off to simulate a sudden gas attack.

According to Agustin, initial results from the testing were better than he expected with most soldiers receiving "gos" on four to five of the six skills tested.



Sgt. Gennie Thomas of COMPACT explains his first aid procedure to a scorer on the PIQ course.



Maurer lets loose with a hand grenade while his scorer, Sgt. Lou Reyes, keeps tabs.

Briefly

Promo policy changes

More Presidio E-3s should be making E-4 soon under a recent promotion policy change, according to Sp5 Otis Gentry, NCOIC of COMPACT's promotion section.

Under the new policy, unit commanders will be able to promote E-3s to E-4 as long as the number of E-4s in a unit with 15 or more months service stays below 95 percent. Previously, promotions to E-4 stopped when the E-4 strength reached 85 percent of the E-3/E-4 total. Gentry explains the decline in the E-4 strength is the reason for the change.

The current method of computing the number of E-4s allowed remains the same. Commanders may promote soldiers in the waiver zone (15-23 months of service), providing the number in that zone does not exceed 20 percent of the E-4 strength. This limit is based on the actual or projected number of E-4s assigned to the unit and not on the total number allowed.

School money offered

If you're planning to enter college in the fall, your GI Bill will help, but you may have trouble earning additional money to supplement that benefit.

If you do, check out the Veterans Administration's (VA) work-study program.

Students can receive \$775 in addition to their regular education assistance allowance by working up to 250 hours per semester for VA.

Veterans with a 30 percent or greater service connected disability are given priority for participation in the program. Also, consideration is given to financial need, motivation and the nature of work to be done.

Veterans don't have to work the 250 hours, but may work any portion of the time that meets their financial needs and fits their individual study programs.

Jobs for VA-related work are available on a given campus or at a VA facility.

As soon as the employment agreement is processed, students may receive an advance of up to \$2500. This covers the first 100 hours of work.

After the first 100 hours, VA will pay students after each 50 hours of work.

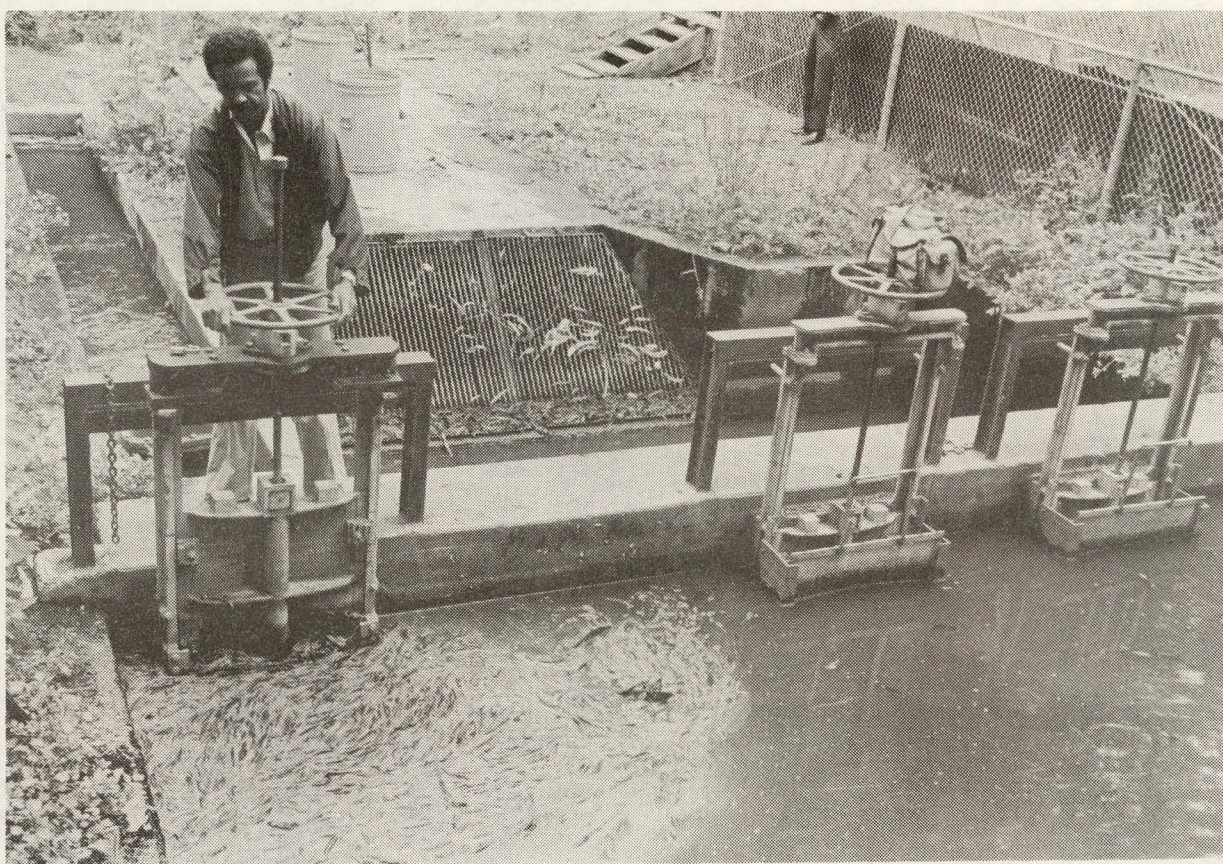
Interested Presidians can contact the San Francisco VA office at 495-8900 for more information or assistance.

Dart contest set

Presidio dart throwers now have a chance to test their skills on a wider field as entries open for the First Armed Forces Invitational Classic dart competition to be held at Fort Monroe, Va., Nov. 14-16.

The contest is open to all active duty members and features competition in men and women's singles, open doubles, "501 straight start," "doubles to finish" and "best two of three" categories.

Interested Presidians should contact Gerry Compton at (804) 727-2712 or (autovon) 680-4333/2712 for more information.



Open up

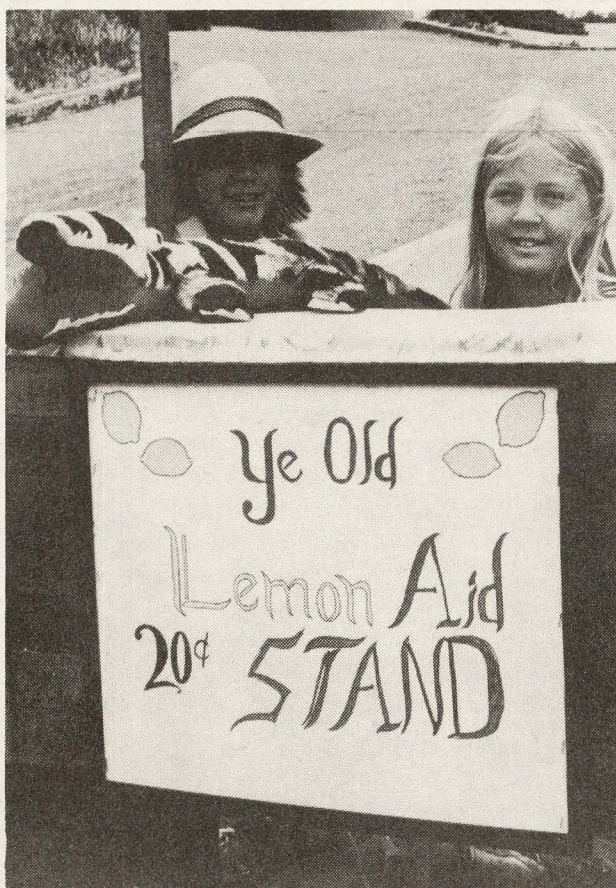
A water purification plant worker opens the gate on Lobos Creek, allowing creek water to bypass

the plant while cleanup operations proceeded. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Lobos Creek one of the best

by Joe Gupta

While many Presidians tried to cope with the contaminated water supply from Lobos Creek, few people probably realized that the Presidio can boast of one of the best water systems on any military installation.



For sale

These two Pershing Park youths learned to turn the contamination of Lobos Creek into a profit making opportunity. (Photo by Jim Edwards)

As a major part of that system, Lobos Creek has supplied water to both the Presidio and the city and has been relied upon heavily to furnish its "customers" with fresh underground spring water for a variety of needs.

Early in its history the creek actually belonged to the City of San Francisco and served as its major source for fresh water. When the city handed over that area to the military to constitute the Presidio as we know it today, the creek continued to supply water to the small, but growing city by the bay.

As the city began growing, however, it developed alternate fresh water sources and Lobos Creek began serving the needs of the Presidio primarily.

The creek has been used by the city as a fresh water source of water during emergency situations.

During the peak of the California drought in 1976-77, for example, Lobos Creek served not only 70 percent of the needs of the Presidio but also churned out over a million gallons of fresh water daily to meet the city's needs as well.

Additionally, disaster plans to deal with major earthquakes project that Lobos Creek would supply a continuous fresh water for the Presidio as well as once again possibly aiding the city in meeting its needs as it did during the "big" earthquake of 1906.

According to Alex Maciejewicz, Presidio sanitary engineer, the water from Lobos Creek costs the Army approximately half of what the same amount of water would cost from a commercial source.

In the case of unforeseen emergencies, such as the recent contamination, the Presidio is hooked into a commercial water system.

A local history buff summed up the feelings of a number of people when he said, "Lobos Creek may have its faults, but it has some major advantages also. Both the history of San Francisco and the Presidio can attest to the merits of the water supply of Lobos Creek."

Former POW remembers MIAs

More than seven years ago, Maj. Mark Smith was released from a Vietnamese prison camp in Cambodia. Today he is speaking at the POW/MIA Day observance on post.

For Smith, now serving in Sixth Army's training management and evaluation office, the observance is a reminder that nearly 1300 American soldiers have never been accounted for.

Smith was with a special forces unit at Loc Ninh in South Vietnam when in 1972 it was overrun and he was captured. Of his year as a POW, Smith says if anything, his captors strengthened his belief in U.S. involvement in Vietnam and our reasons for being there.

Of the MIA's, Smith claims that the American people simply lost interest in them after the Vietnam war. He suggests that once the war was over, and the watergate affair began boiling up, people's attentions were diverted elsewhere.

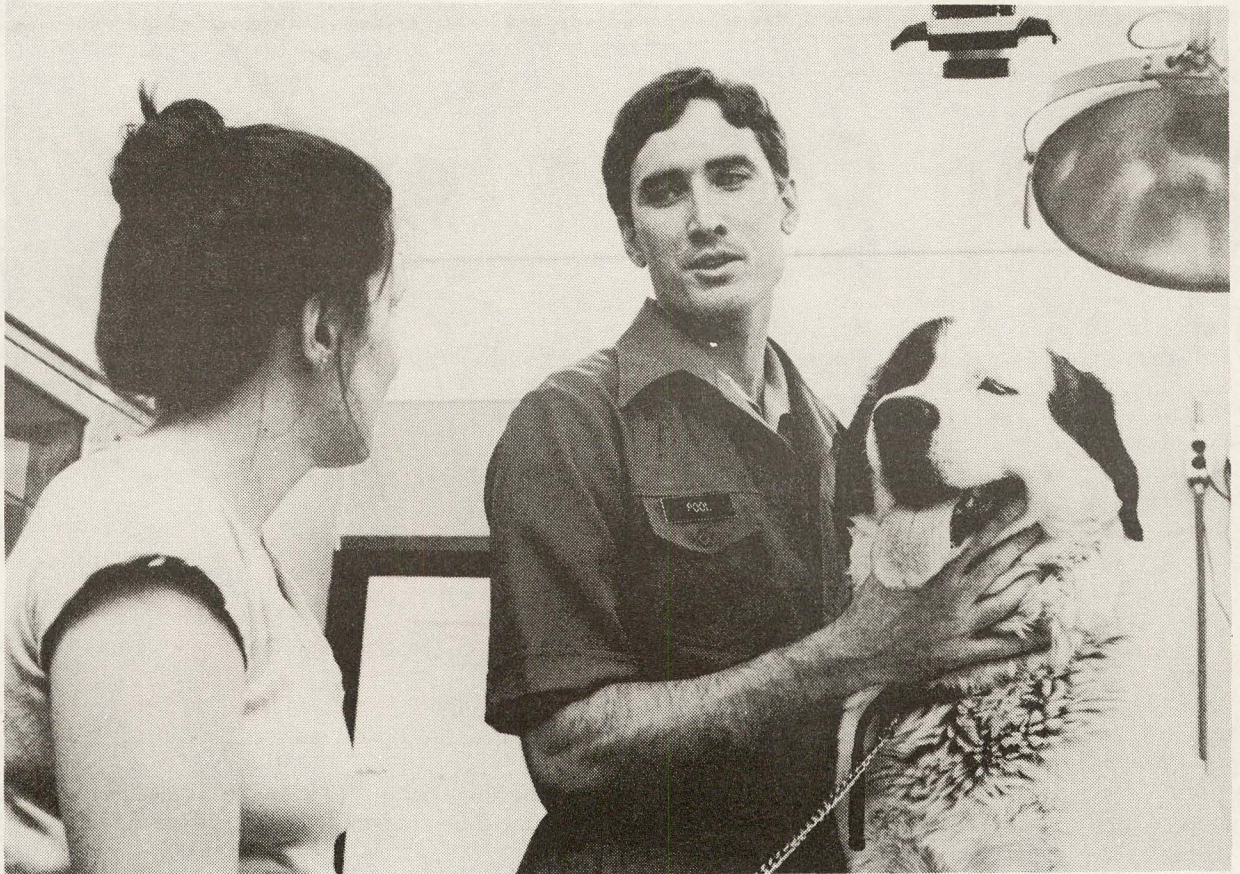
"We are a TV-oriented society," he explains, "A show may run two or three seasons and then it is off the air... we simply don't weather well."

Smith claims that the American society is prone to search for quick results and when they don't come, turn to other issues.

Smith notes that the holding of the hostages in Iran is no longer page one news in most papers as a sign of that.



Capt. Thomas Pool and a pal head out of the kennel.



Pool discusses dog care with the proud owner of a new pooch.

A case of love at first sight

Story and photos by Jim Edwards

You're sitting at your desk thinking about summer, the beach and frolicking and romping, but there is something missing. What could you add to make the experience complete?

"I want a dog!" you exclaim. Very simply, you want a dog. So now what do you do.

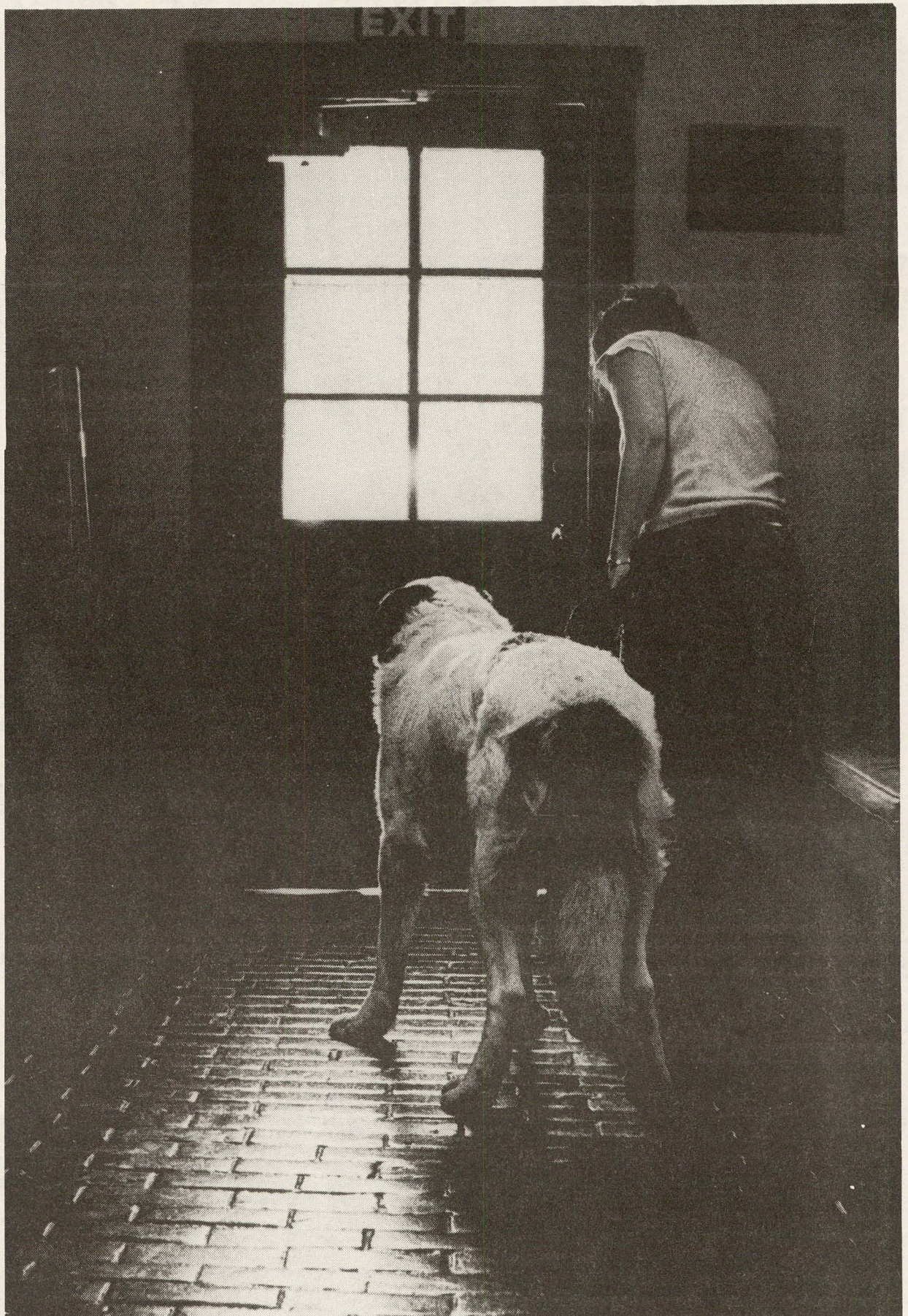
"We have just the service for these type of emergencies," according to Capt. Thomas Pool at the Presidio Veterinary Clinic, "It's our adopt a pet program."

Finding that certain dog just right for you can be either a magical moment, or a never ending search, depending upon your preparations, says Pool. "There are certain decisions that have to be made when looking for a pet. Is the dog to be an inside pet, or an outside pet? Do you want the experience of raising a puppy, battling parasites and paper training, or a mature dog with an already stable personality?"

So you wandered through the kennels at the clinic and there he is, a big lovable lug of a puppy that is just right. He even comes equipped with a saddle from his former owner, and still has half a leash dangling from his collar. His former master had to let him go because of a shoulder injury. (It was pulled out of the socket).

It's a case of love at first sight.

As you pass through those portals on the way out of the vet clinic for the final time, you can be proud in the knowledge that you have at last joined that select group of people who have gone to the dogs at the Presidio.



A newly adopted "puppy" and its master head for home.

Time to spare

Japan Center festival continues

Tomorrow the **Bon Odori** or Bon dance starts at 1 p.m. as the Obon festival continues at the **Japan Center** on Post and Buchanan Streets. The dance features several hundred costumed participants. Admission is free.

Sunday, Kurt Herbert Adler of the San Francisco Opera conducts the orchestra in a program featuring the Merola Opera Program soloists as the **Midsummer Music Festival** strikes up its fourth free concert. The performance begins at 2 p.m. in the Sigmund Sterm Grove.

If it's a relief from the "middle-of-the-summer, end-of-the-week blues" you want, reach out for the **TGIF Summer Stomp** next Friday at the special services building at **Hamilton Air Force Base**. The bar opens at 6 p.m. and at 9 p.m. It's time for foot stomping to the sounds of the country western band, "Rowdy and the Rivets."

The Recreation Center has a variety of discount tickets available. They include discounts

for the **San Francisco Experience**, the **Bay Cruise** and tickets for the Thursday performance of "I do, I do" at the Golden Gate Theater.

The Rec Center is also planning a **canoe trip** for Aug. 17 on the Russian River. Included in the trip is a wine tasting tour and barbeque.

Every **Thursday** at the Rec Center guitar lessons are offered at **7 p.m.** Cost for four weeks of instruction is \$10.

The center also offers ongoing lessons in **pool** on **Thursdays** at **7 p.m.** and **dynamic dance** on **Tuesdays** at **8 p.m.**

The Rec Center is also sponsoring a **tour** to the **Hearst Castle, July 26**, leaving at 8 a.m. Cost is \$10.

For additional information on these or other rec center activites, call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

Journey headlines a **day-long concert** at the **Oakland Coliseum July 27** beginning at 10 a.m.

Included in the list of entertainers appearing are **Black Sabbath, Cheap Tricks, Molly Hatchet** and **Angel City**. Tickets are \$13.50 in advance and \$15.50 the day of the show and are available through BASS outlets.

America comes to the **Circle Star Theatrer Aug. 14 and 15** at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.75 and are available through Box Office and BASS outlets. The Circle Star is located at 1717 Industrial Rd. in San Carlos.

The Jesuit Community at the University of San Francisco has a wide range of slide lectures planned for this summer. July 28, Father Donald McGuire lectures on the history of Santorini-I, a 15th Century volcanic island city. Other upcoming lectures include **Renaissance Art** on July 26 and Aug. 23 and **Jerusalem** on Sept. 27. Contact Dr. George Turner at 771-6403 for more details.

Interservice photo contest winners named

Lisa Kanemoto came out on top when judges selected the winners in this year's post-level Interservice Photo Competition.

Mrs. Kanemoto snared four first place, two seconds and third place and several honorable mentions for her entries in the competition.

The post-level contest is held each year to select entries for the interservice competition at

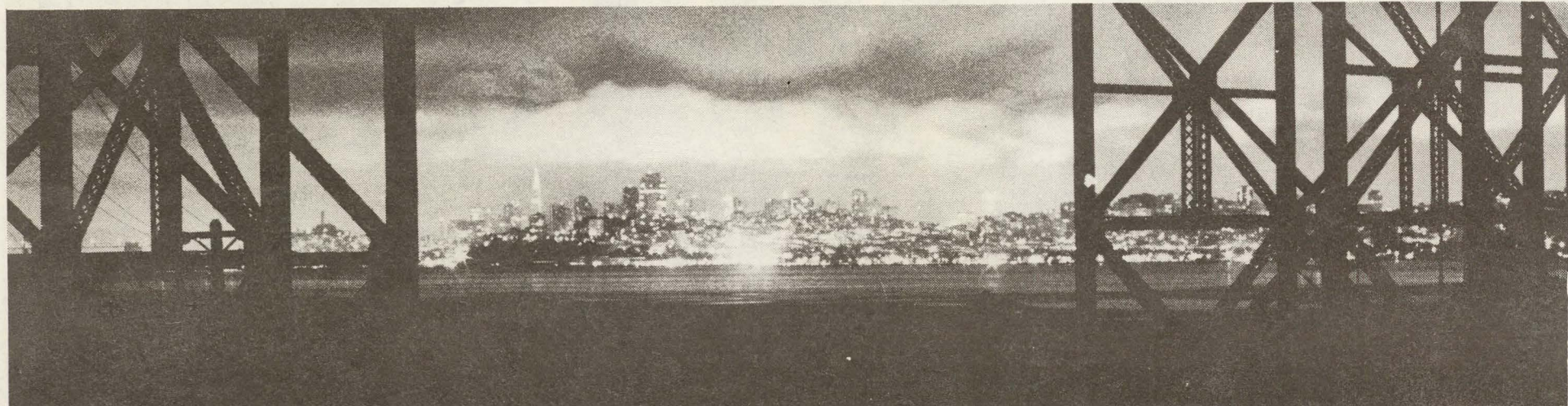
DoD level. Once selected, winning photographs are forwarded to FORSCOM for judging there, then DA and ultimately DoD level contests.

Although the competition at post level also open to dependents, retirees and DA civilians, only photographs by active duty or reserve soldiers are eligible for higher levels of competition.

This year's winners include:		
Black and white print—general		
Lisa Kanemoto	"Contemplation"	1st Place
Lisa Kanemoto	"Action"	2nd Place
John Green	"Get me down"	3rd Place
Black and white print—people		
Albert Nokutis	"Chain Gang"	1st Place
Lisa Kanemoto	"Roxanna"	2nd Place
John Hutton	"New Breed"	3rd Place
Black and white print—scenic		
John Green	"City Lights"	1st Place
John Hutton	"Boiling Along"	2nd Place
Harvey Kinoshita	"House of Gold"	3rd Place
Black and white print—experimental		
Lisa Kanemoto	"Depression"	1st Place
Anne Greely	"The Dance"	2nd Place
Lisa Kanemoto	untitled	3rd Place
Color print—general		
Lisa Kanemoto	"Self Analysis"	1st Place
Thomas Badillo	"Eight seconds on point"	3rd Place
Harvey Kinoshita	"Pencil Points"	3rd Place
Color print—people		
Lisa Kanemoto	"Willie"	1st Place
John Hutton	"Is this okay, Gloria?"	2nd Place
Albert Nokutis	"Taxis"	3rd Place
Color print—scenic		
No places awarded		
Color print—experimental		
First place not awarded		
Harvey Kinoshita	"What a drag"	2nd Place
Harvey Kinoshita	"Sunset"	3rd Place
Color slide—general		
Ken Juber	"Clothespins"	1st Place
Robert Wirtz	"Rattlesnake Grass"	2nd Place
John Hutton	"Closing on the Mark"	3rd Place
Color slide—people		
John Hutton	"I did too get second"	1st Place
Janice Horks	"Waiting Racer"	2nd Place
Lisa Kanemoto	"My Room"	3rd Place
Color slide—scenic		
William Hooks	"Mendocino Reflections"	1st Place
William Hooks	"Odyssey"	2nd Place
Ken Juber and Tina Juber	"Coos Cove"	3rd Place tie
Color slide—experimental		
Robert Wirtz	"Rattlesnake Grass"	1st Place
John Hutton	"Red Embryo"	2nd Place



Lisa Kanemoto's "Contemplation" took first place in the black and white general photo category.



John Green's "City Lights" was the winner in the black and white scenic photo category.

Sports

Shorts

Swim class set

The post swimming is offering a variety of programs in an effort to develop a comprehensive aquatics program.

A course in aquanastics is in the makings right now and is slated to open in September.

Aquanastics is a program of water exercises which are designed to improve a participants strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness.

Officials at the pool are limiting enrollment in the course to 10 persons.

Plans are also being made for adult beginner swim classes, advanced life saving courses and a tiny tot swim program.

Interested persons are asked to contact the pool staff at 561-3673 for more information and pre-registration.

Tourney planned

The Presidio Tennis Club is sponsoring a tournament next Saturday. Men's singles, women's singles, and mixed doubles will be played. There is no entry fee. Play will begin at 9 a.m. Those who do not pre-register should be at court no. three at 8:30. Refreshments will be available at courtside. First and second place prizes, gift certificates at a local tennis shop, will be awarded following the conclusion of the final match. All those interested in participating should contact Jim Carroll at 561-4738 or Anne Regh at 556-9696.

Loken makes all-Army team

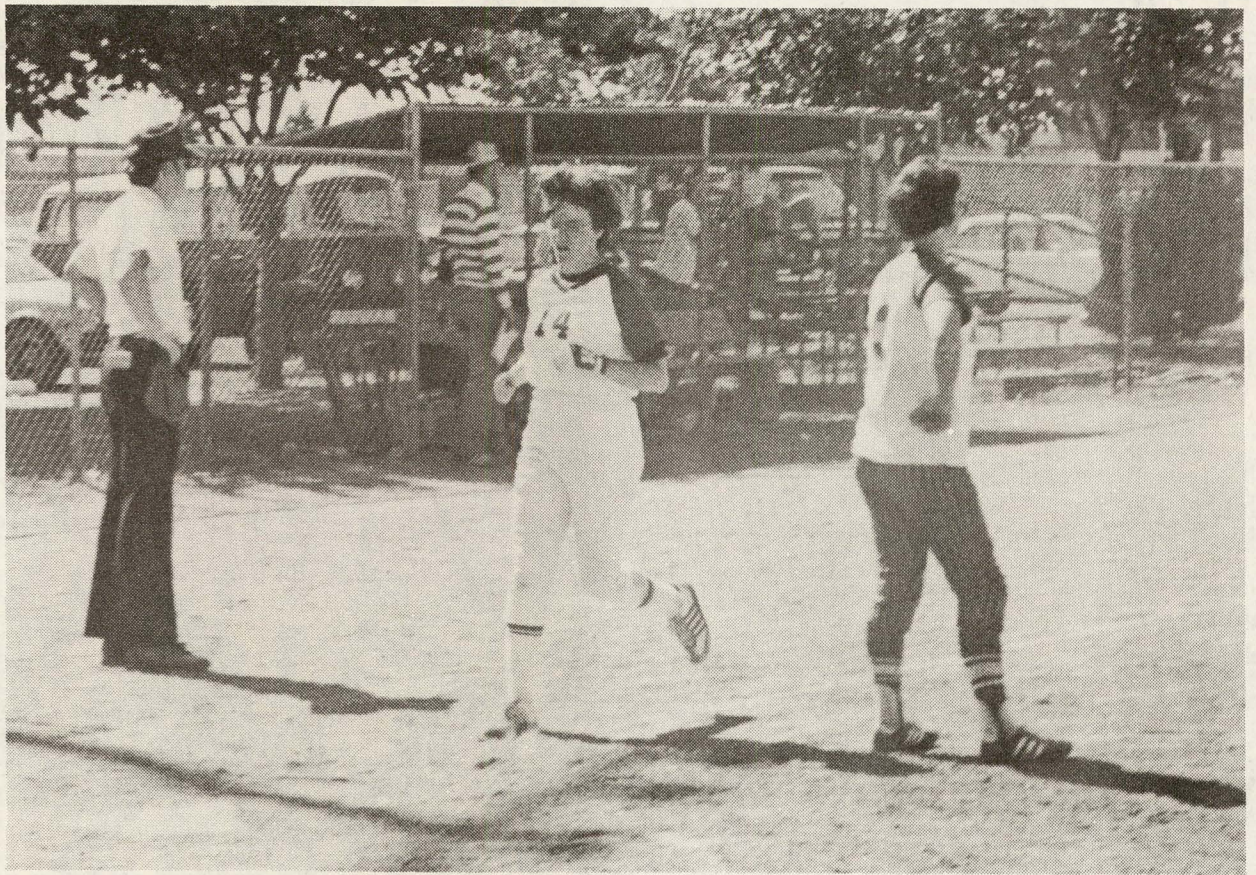
Terry Loken, Hq. Co. USAG, has been selected to represent the Presidio at the 1980 All-Army Men's Slow Pitch Softball Trials, to be held at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA.

Loken captained the coached the Presidio Men's Softball Team.

If selected to the All-Army team, Loken will compete in the Interservice Championships at Camp Lejuene, N.C. Aug. 11-15 and if selected, for the Armed Forces Team, will be playing in the National Championships, Aug. 28-Sept. 2 at Fort Indiantown Gap, Penn.

New hours announced

New hours for the use of the sauna at Gym No. 1 by women are as follows: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30-11 a.m.; Tuesday, Thursday, 12:15-1 p.m. and 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, Holidays, 10 a.m. to noon.



Safe

Mary Ellen Dailey hits home during recent women's softball action against Mather AFB. The Presidio team split a double header behind the

fielding of Dailey and the hitting of Marilyn Johnson. (Photo by Thomas Hammett)

Women split double header

by Thomas Hammett

The Presidio women's softball team bounced back from a 14-9 loss to take the second half of a double header 16-8 at Mather Air Force Base Saturday.

The dramatic comeback was led by the hitting of Marilyn Johnson, who was 4 for 5 at the plate

with one homerun, and the fielding of Mary Ellen Dailey.

After the victory, team captain Betty Adams said, "It's just too bad that it takes us a game and a half to warm up."

The women face Castle Air Force Base tomorrow at Fort Scott. The game starts at 2 p.m.

USAG, LAMC 2 are favored in Tuesday's championship games

The Presidio softball championships featuring the top eight military teams participating in the post intramural program will get underway at Fort Scott on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. LAMC No. 2, the league leaders, will take on the 163rd MP Company on Field No. 1 and LAIR No. 1 will try to keep the racehorses of the 864th Engineers off the bases on Field No. 2. Sixth Army will battle the 170th MP Company in the second game on Field No. 1. In the feature game of the evening, upcoming USAG, and LAMC's Doctors will be

trying to advance into the winner's bracket in this double elimination tournament. The tournament will continue each evening starting at 5:30 p.m. and will windup with the championship game next Friday.

Behind the pitching skills of Bill Patrick and his hustling outfielders, LAMC No. 2 looms as the tournament favorites. USAG's big sticks could turn the odds in their favor while the Doctor's hope to operate on the rest of the clubs and come up as the champions.

Mets and Tigers split; All-stars chosen

The Presidio Mets and San Francisco Tigers started the DYA Championships series with a split of the first two games. The Tigers won the first game 11-8, scoring three runs in the top of the sixth. Jeffrey Hill had a home run for the Mets and Todd Johnson added a grand slam to put the Mets ahead in the early innings.

In the second game, the Mets scored 16 runs in the first three innings including Johnson's second grand slam. Hill and Johnson then held off the Tigers with good pitching and some fine defensive plays. Eric Bjornson had several key defensive plays at second base.

A Presidio all-star team has been chosen for a tournament at Treasure Island. Team members from the Phils are Charles Cowart, Fredrick Kaas and Victor McDonald. Team members from the

Astros are Robert Agee, Kenny Bhalla, Joey McGarry, Robert Newton and Joseph Untalan and from the Mets are Eric Bjornson, Mark Buffaloe, Jeffery Hill, Reggie King, Craig Kinney and Janet Seerenbetz.

Champions favored

With only four games left in the summer league basketball program, the Champions, 8-1, are heavily forced to win the league championship. The only team with an outside chance to beat the champions is the Bullets, 7-3, who must play the Champions once more.

In last week's "game of the week," the Champions squeaked past the charged up Hawks, 62-61.

Presidio News Notes

Tryouts set

Tryouts for "The Night Thoreau Spent In Jail" will be held at the Presidio Playhouse on Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 10 p.m. Tryouts are open to anyone interested and those wanting to audition should call 561-3992 during duty hours for a specific appointment time. The Presidio Players' production calls for a large cast of diverse types and ages as well as a boy approximately 10 years of age.

"The Night Thoreau Spent In Jail," by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, deals with the first and perhaps most famous act of civil disobedience in American history—Thoreau's refusal to pay his poll tax in 1846, and the night he spent in jail because of it. The jail scene becomes a framework for episodes from Thoreau's life—his relationship to Emerson, his vigil at Walden Pond, his unhappy love affair. It is the long journey of a man's soul in the course of one night, from hermitizing to rejoining the human race, in a series of episodes moving one to laughter or close to tears.

Wear cool clothes

Military personnel travelling through Charleston Air Force Base between now and Oct. 1 are being advised to wear either the short sleeve khaki uniform or the short sleeve green shirt and light weight trousers, according to Rodney Williams of COMPACT.

Williams notes that the high heat and excessive humidity at Charleston could make travelling an uncomfortable experience for those not dressed for it.

For servicemembers travelling through Charleston to Germany, Williams advises packing alternate uniforms in their checked baggage for wear once they arrive.

AUSA to meet

The San Francisco Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army is holding a luncheon at the Presidio NCO Club next Friday at noon. The chapter offering enlisted soldiers a chance to get a free lunch with a complimentary ticket as a chapter guest. Call Bob Joy at 561-2035 for more information.

Rebates coming

Customers who placed orders through the 1980 Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) catalog or the Navy Exchange Mail Order Catalog between July 1, 1979 and June 30, 1980 could be eligible for rebates.

That's the word from Soundra Bourne, manager of the Presidio Exchange.

She explains that patrons must order merchandise worth certain dollar amounts and that the rebates will be usable only in the new joint services "Exchange Catalog 81," scheduled for distribution soon.

Customers using the overseas edition of this year's catalog must purchase \$50 or more worth of merchandise to qualify for a \$5 rebate.

Customers in CONUS must place orders of at least \$20 to obtain \$2 rebate, Ms. Bourne explains.

The rebates will be mailed Aug. 1 in the form of a postcard urging customers to review a copy of the new 1981 catalog and advising them of the amount of their rebate. When they order out of the new book, they simply enclose the card with their order and deduct the amount of the rebate from their check or money order. AAFES customers will be notified automatically.

Ms. Bourne adds that the rebates must be used before Oct. 15 and that only one per customer will be issued.

Patrons who transfer from overseas may use the rebate in the U. S. edition of the new catalog and vice versa, she says.



Old Glory

SSgt. Harvey Kinoshita of the post photo lab shot this fisheye view of the Fourth of July celebration on post to win this week's Photo of the Week

According to Ms. Bourne, the rebate program was conceived as a reward for customers who use the AAFES and Navy Exchange Catalogs and also to alert them to the availability of the 1981 edition.

Competition opens

Presidians interested in competing in the 1980 Freedoms Foundation Awards Program should submit their entries before Oct. 1, 1980.

The Valley Forge Patriots Award category

competition. If you have a photo that you think deserves that title, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 219.

gives members of the military an opportunity to express their views on a selected subject.

This year's subject for military participants is "The U.S. Armed Forces—Strong and Ready."

Awards include the principal award (encased George Washington honor medal) and \$100 series EE savings bond, and additional awards of George Washington honor medals and \$50 series EE U. S. savings bonds and Valley Forge honor certificates.

For more information on all award categories, write to the Awards Department, Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Valley Forge, PA 19481.

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Permits needed

MPs tracking unwanted solicitors

by Jon Chelgren

The Provost Marshal's office is asking post quarters residents to help them track down a "rash" of unauthorized salesmen doing business at the Presidio.

According to 1st Lt. William Foster, MP station commander, a number of salesmen have been giving their pitches to residents without first obtaining the necessary authorization from the Presidio Adjutant General's office.

Foster suggests that residents ask to see a salesman's post permit and if he doesn't have one to call the MP desk at 561-2251 immediately.

Foster says his MP's are especially looking for a photo salesman who has already been cited six times for unauthorized solicitation on post.

Repeating Foster's warning about unauthorized solicitors, Eilene Craig of the AG office explains that any authorized salesman must show their letter of authorization to quarters occupants before they begin their business.

She notes that door to door solicitation, addressing troop formations, contacting personnel during duty hours and advertising are clearly prohibited under Presidio and Army regulations.

Moreover, she notes that solicitations will only be conducted by appointment and at the request of the quarters residents.

Mrs. Craig says that before her office issues a permit to solicit on post, a designated representative of the company must appear in person at her office. A check of their credentials and their company's willingness to stand behind their product is part of the authorization process.

A number of post residents have complained recently of a photo salesman making the rounds of quarters. According to one resident, a notice was tacked to their door advising them that they had just won a prize.

When the "lucky winner" called the company, a salesman came out, advised them that they had just won a set of free portraits and then launched into a high pressure sales pitch about the number of photo service discounts available through his company.

Among those services were photo processing and discounts on camera equipment. A call to the company's listed number, however, revealed that the business has no camera equipment on hand and that all film is sent out to be processed.

The company is now under investigation by post authorities.



Getting the old 'brush' off

Presidio residents don't have to beat off unwanted salesmen. All solicitors are required to obtain permission from the post adjutants office

before soliciting on-post. If you are being bothered by unwanted salesmen, call the military police at 561-2251. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Health clinic to open at Hamilton AFB

A medical clinic will open at Hamilton Air Force Base beginning Aug. 12.

A joint project between the Public Health Service and the Army, the clinic will be a branch of the San Francisco Public Health Hospital.

The clinic will operate on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in building 511, adjacent to the old hospital.

According to Mr. Ken Liepold of the Public Health Hospital, the clinic will see patients on an **appointment only** basis. Appointments can be made starting Aug. 5 by calling 883-0510.

Open to all active duty soldiers, retirees and dependents, the clinic will be set up on a family practice type basis. But Liepold hopes to expand into other specialties in the future.

Some of the services which will be available immediately include: school physicals, shots, blood pressure checks, and treatment for minor injuries and illnesses.

There will be no charge for treatment at the facility.

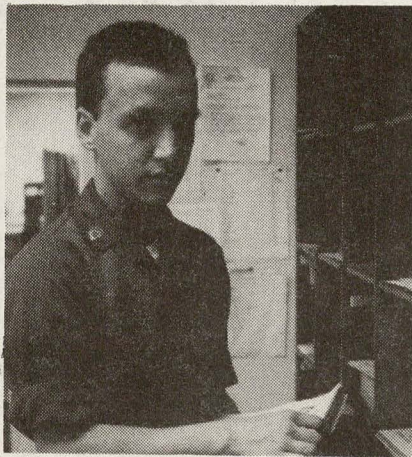
The idea of opening a clinic came about over two years ago when the Public Health Service asked the Army for use of building 511. But due to the study into possible closure of Letterman Army Medical Center and the Presidio, a decision was put off until April of this year.

Since that time the Health Service has been busy preparing the building for use as a clinic which will be staff by one doctor, a nurse practitioner and clerical workers.

Opinion

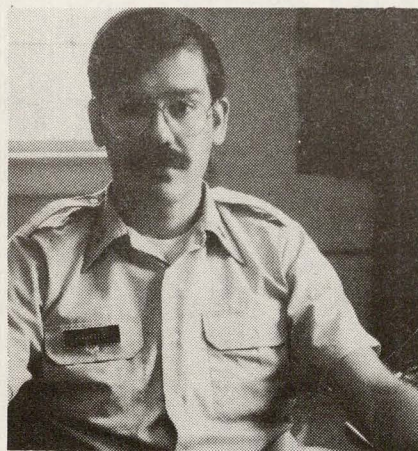
Ramblin' Sam

What do you think about combining ethnic events into one week?



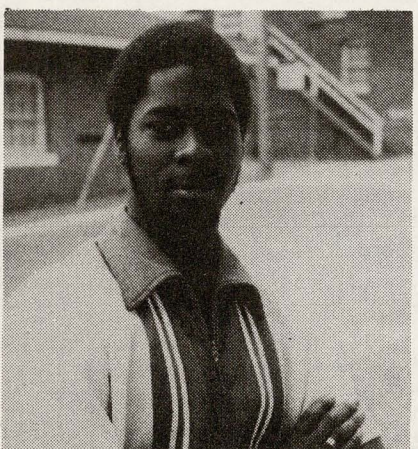
Sp5 Bobbie Trent, Post Distribution—"I don't agree with that idea. I think you lose the individuality of it when they become part of just one group."

SFC Albert Baker, Reservist—"I think each group should have their own week because that's something special to them."



Sp5 Randy Hartle, Welcome Center—"I think it would be better. With the different ethnic weeks, people are apart. We ought to have just an American week."

PFC Carolyn Witcher, Post Distribution—"It doesn't really sound like that good of an idea. I think everything should be separate."



Tim Williams, dependent—"I think it is good idea because it gets all the people together and makes them equal, as one."

Why pick on us?

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to two articles that appeared in the Star Presidian. The articles deal with the rise in theft and the cost of energy on the Presidio.

I am a resident of the Presidio and feel that both articles were directed towards me and my fellow residents. I am both angry and dismayed. My home is in the Pershing Park area. It was presented to me with pop-out windows, inadequate outdoor lighting, doors secured with a chain lock, a wall furnace downstairs that heats the upstairs to the boiling point, and the area downstairs ten feet around it. To add to this list, the MP's patrol with such frequency that I often wonder if this area actually belongs to the Presidio.

Most residents of the Presidio do not have the money to make their homes more secure with deadbolts, new windows, burglar alarms, or provide the extra outdoor lighting. I do not feel that I should have to pick up the slack for these inadequacies.

The energy cost articles was in bad taste. Energy costs have increased tremendously, ask OPEC

Dear SSgt. Patlan,

The two articles to which you refer have been part of our efforts to make our readers aware of crime prevention and energy use. They are designed to make the Presidio a better place to live.

According to the folks at the Provost Marshal's office, breaking and entering isn't a very big problem on the post. But the theft of unattended and unsecured items such as bicycles are of concern to them. This is the problem which we have tried to make people aware.

The Military Police are aware of the problems of securing your quarters and offer advice only for those who feel that they can afford to take extra measures to secure their homes. No one is asking that you do it.

As a resident of the Pershing Housing Area, I see MP patrols several times during the day and evening. According to 1st Lt. William Foster, patrols in the area are greater than you would receive in the city of San Francisco or on Fort Ord.

Energy conservation efforts have been on-going for several years. Not

or PG&E. This winter happened to be one of the colder winters the Bay Area has experienced according to the San Francisco Chronicle in an article about PG&E and the rise in energy costs. Homes in the Presidio are not adequately insulated, have poorly fitted doors, non-existent storm windows, stoves with ever-burning pilot lights, and lots of fog to help dampen and cool your domain. I wonder if these have helped contribute to the ever rising costs? Your article never once mentioned volume increase versus cost increase. Your article also implied we are cheating our neighbors and ourselves out of improvements to our homes because we are not doing our part to conserve. Is someone trying to justify these figures for the records of Congress?

Crime prevention and energy conservation have been big campaigns within the Army for years. Posters and monthly meeting around with this topic, look at any office or training classroom. Please give our commanders some credit for ensuring these programs are understood and met by the soldiers.

SSgt. Anthony J. Patlan

only have Presidio residents been called upon to make sacrifices, but so have those who work here.

Efforts are being made to make our quarters more energy efficient. But in many cases this takes money which the post just doesn't have.

Stories have appeared in the Star Presidian which points out that energy use has declined, but the costs have risen.

That, however, doesn't relieve us of our responsibilities to continue to conserve and make further sacrifices.

In 1775, Thomas Paine said, "These are times that try men's souls," this is true today. Our articles have been designed to point out the problems facing Presidians in the areas of crime and energy use. If we fail to report on them, we wouldn't be doing our jobs.

Nothing would give us more pleasure than to report that energy costs were down and crime non-existent, but that's not true and until it is, we must tell the story.

The Editor

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More letters

You missed my point

Dear Editor,

Contrary to your response to my letter, in the July 11 Star Presidian, I have every right to consider someone guilty when a court martial board has adjudged him as such.

I never mentioned denying Parini his rights. I stated, and I thought quite clearly, that the sentence did not seem to fit the crime (after it had been suspended by the convening authority).

The broadside you leveled at the media does not seem applicable in this case. The reporting was restrained and was not extensive until after the trial.

I am sure that the complex rules for the protection of the rights of the accused did not cause anything to be withheld from the proceedings that would have been beneficial to COL Parini.

Perhaps your understanding would be better if I capsulized my opinion thusly; a crime was committed, the perpetrator was tried, he was convicted and walked.

Maj. Mark A. Smith

SATO's phone off the hook

Dear Editor,

For the past three weeks, I have called the Airline Ticket Office (SATO) several times daily. Regardless of the time of the work day I call, the telephone is busy. Suspecting that the workers employed there are leaving the phone off the hook I went there at three different times on three different days. My suspicions were confirmed... they leave the phone off the hook. When asked, the lady at the front desk said they do this regularly to catch-up on their paperwork. Isn't this type of action contrary to the post commander's desire to have all of us work here at the Presidio filled with a "We are here to help" attitude? I mean, if we can't call them when we need to, how can they be helpful?

Waiting for help

Looking for Gladys

Dear Editor,

I would greatly appreciate your assistance in locating a lady identifiable to me only as "Gladys."

While walking my akita dog on the night of June 7, this lady hailed me from the Presidio Officer's Club parking lot. It seems she had owned an akita at one time and greatly admired the breed. We talked for almost 20 minutes until her friends grew impatient and called her away.

I am trying to locate Gladys because I shall be breeding my akita in November and I'd love to place a puppy with Gladys.

Maj. (ret.) Susan M. Behling

If you are out there Gladys, you can reach Maj. Behling at (916) 391-3520 or write to her at 4626 Ledonne Dr., Sacramento, Calif., 95823.



Jaws strikes again

Presidio firemen use a damaged car to test their new "jaws of life" machine. The firemen received the equipment which is capable of ripping open a

car in less than a quarter of the time it would take to cut it open by conventional methods. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio firemen find 'Jaws' helpful and quick

The Presidio Fire Department received a new piece of equipment this week that could save precious minutes when rescuing accident victims trapped inside automobiles.

The equipment, called the "Jaws of Life," is capable of ripping open a car in less than a quarter of time it would take to cut it open by conventional methods, according to Fire Chief Bill Williams.

Williams estimates that the jaws can be used in at least 50 percent of the auto accidents his department responds to.

In addition to the speed of the new equipment, Williams notes that the jaws are safer than cutting through steel since the equipment rips the metal without sending out sparks.

According to a company representative on hand for demonstration classes, the jaws are capable of completely demolishing an automobile in just over five minutes.

Firemen from the Presidio got hands on training with the new equipment this week during those demonstration classes at Battery Caulfield.

Former enlisted soldier welcomed as Sixth Army chief of staff

Brig. Gen. Robert S. Young was welcomed to the Presidio Wednesday as the new Chief of Staff at Sixth Army.

Young, former commander of the U. S. Army Reserve Components Personnel and Administration Center in St. Louis, Mo., replaces Brig. Gen. Michael Bakarich who retired.

Born in Macon, Ga., in 1925, Young enlisted in the Army in 1943. After being discharged in 1946 he joined the Air Force for three years and then reenlisted in the Army in 1949. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1951.

A graduate of the Adjutant General's School, Young attended the Infantry School in 1955. He

also attended a Department of the Army Staff School studying civilian personnel management.

The new Sixth Army chief of staff holds a bachelor of science degree in military studies from the University of Maryland and received his masters degree in business administration from George Washington University. He has also attended the Armed Forces Staff College and the Army War College.

During the past ten years, Young's assignments have included the Pentagon, Vietnam and Europe in addition to St. Louis.

Young is married and has two children. He was promoted to his current rank in Aug. 1975.

Soldiers have election roles

The Republicans have chosen their candidates and the Democrats will select their team soon. And before long the country will be caught up in the excitement of a presidential election.

Many soldiers will want to participate in the campaigns of the various candidates. But before doing so you should be aware of what you can and can't do.

Soldiers may take part in the following political activities:

- Register to vote and express a personal opinion on political candidates and issues, but **not as a representative of the military**
- Promote and encourage other military people to vote
- Join in political club and attend meetings when not in uniform
- Sign a petition as long as signing does not obligate the individual to engage in party politics
- Serve as an election official as long as such service is not as representative of a particular political party, does not interfere with military duties and is **not done in uniform**.

• Contribute to a political party or political committee favoring a particular candidate or slate of candidates.

• Display a political sticker on their private automobiles.

Many soldiers planning to participate in political activities should learn what activities are prohibited.

Soldiers may not:

- Use their official authority or influence to interfere with or affect an election, seek votes for a particular candidate or issue or require or seek political contributions from others.
- Participate in partisan political management or campaigns, or make public speeches in support of a partisan political campaign.
- Make a campaign contribution to another member of the Armed Forces or to an employee of the Federal government for the purpose of promoting any political objective or cause.
- Be a partisan candidate for civil office, except as specifically provided for in Section IV of the DoD directive 1334.10, engage in public or

organized solicitation of others to become partisan candidates for public office.

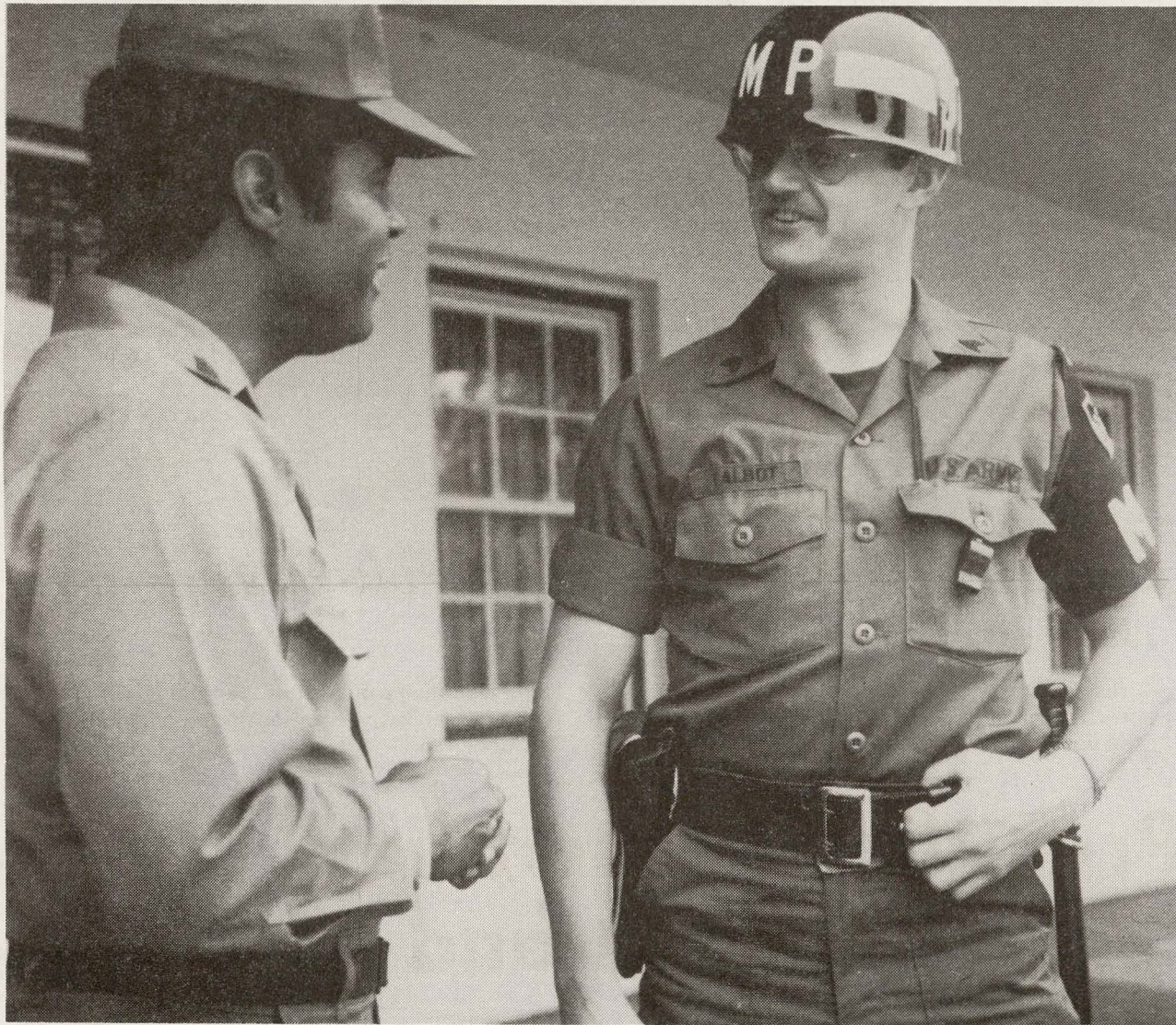
• Solicit or otherwise engage in fund raising activities in Federal offices or facilities, including military reservations or sell tickets for or actively promote political dinners and other fund raising events for a partisan political cause or candidate.

• Take an active part in managing a partisan political campaign of a candidate for public office; attend, as official representatives of the Armed Forces, partisan political events although they do not actively participate; or serve as an officer of a political party.

• Drive voters to the polls on behalf of a political party or candidate in a political election.

• Wear a uniform while campaigning or use any government property or facilities in a campaign.

Even though soldiers are prohibited from some political functions, one thing we should all remember in any election year and that is — Your right to vote only counts if you use it.



A friendly chat

1st Sgt. William Thomas of the 170th MP Co. says farewell to Sgt. Richard Talbot one of the units six military policemen who are leaving for a week at

West Point. While the Presidio soldiers are gone, six West Point MPs will fill in here. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidians to West Point

Post MPs eastward bound

Have you ever wished you could trade places with somebody else? Well, six members of the 170th Military Police Company at Fort Scott are doing just that.

The members of the 170th headed for West Point yesterday as part of a three week exchange program with the 57th MP Company there.

According to 170th 1st Sgt. William F. Thomas, the exchange program originated between Fort Ord and West Point some years back. When Lt. Col. Don Gallagher, Presidio Provost Marshal heard about the program, "He felt it would be a good idea for us too," says Thomas.

Thomas says that the idea behind the program is to give the MP's a "broader look" at the Army and military police work. He notes that many of his MP's come straight out of AIT and spend their entire tours of duty at the Presidio.

Thomas explains that since MP duties vary widely between posts, units like the Presidio and West Point carry out much different responsibilities.

Thomas hopes that the MP's broader look at the Army and MP work will serve to boost the unit's reenlistment rate by encouraging some of his soldiers to reenlist.

The members of the 170th were chosen for the three week exchange based upon their "outstanding" duty performance. The six are Sp4s William Belcher, Michael Piersma, and Richard Robison, PFC Robert Hughes and Pvts Terry Parrish and Howard Daversa.

The six members of the 57th who arrived here Monday include, Sgt. Robert Talbot, Sp4 Barry Tews, PFCs Michael Holmes and Angelo Mazzone and Pvts. David Hynes and Eugene Petrillo.

Payments high on Army's easy loans

Sergeant E. Z. Cash wrote a quick, interest-free loan for himself from Uncle Sam's coffers last September. In October, his wife did the same.

Legal? No. All together, E. Z. and his wife have written five such quick "loans." They are now being investigated for fraud.

E. Z. and Mrs. Cash are two of a growing number of soldiers and dependents who are abusing a system established to protect them.

It seems simple. E. Z. or Mrs. C. gets the Army check from the mailbox, endorses it and heads for the bank. The next day, one or the other visits the local finance office to claim non-receipt of the check. While there, E. Z. or Mrs. C. receives casual pay in the amount of the "missing" check and completes paperwork to stop payment on that check. Chalk up one fraudulent stop-pay action.

The rub comes three or four months later when jumps-Army catches up with them. The amount of the "lost" check comes out of E. Z.'s pay account.

A finance and accounting center spokesman said most of the fraudulent claims come from lower-grade enlisted soldiers, but added that dependents and soldiers of all grades and length of service are contributing to the problem.

Officials at the U.S. Army finance and accounting center say they are experiencing a "significant increase in fraudulent stop-pay actions." A year ago April, the center processed 835 stop-pay requests for which checks had been negotiated by the payee. This past April, the number climbed to 2,064.

The center is now conducting a review of all internal procedures to check the fraudulent stop-pay claims. Some standing operating procedures have already been changed.

Under new procedures, all requests for stop-pay actions for which checks are negotiated will be screened individually. "We are going to review each negotiated check returns from the treasury. In addition to sending copies of those checks to the local finance office, copies will be sent to the soldier's installation commander with a recommendation for disciplinary action when appropriate," the spokesman said.

The real USAFAC goal is not to hurt the legitimate claims for stop-pay requests, but, by eliminating fraudulent claims, and improving service to soldiers, he added.

For soldiers or their dependents who actually do not receive their checks, the new controls will mean faster and more efficient service from the local finance and accounting office and the center.

The center processes between 5,500 and 6,000 stop-pay requests monthly.

Work is fun at 'Camp Presidio'

Remember the old Alan Sherman hit song, "Hello mother, hello father. Here I am at Camp Granada?" Well for some 26 Bay Area students the line reads, "Here I am at Camp Presidio."

But it's here that any similarity with the song ends.

For the past five weeks this group of campers have been participating in the Youth Conservation Corps program. They are on post to learn about ecology and conservation while doing needed related work on public lands.

The youths, ages 15-18, are paid the minimum wage out of which they pay for their room and meals. Life for the youngsters begins at 5:30 a.m. in their barracks building. After eating at the HQ Co. USAG dining facility they begin their day that includes six hours of work and two hours of learning. On weekends the youngsters are permitted to go home.

First time away from home

For some the camp is the first time they've been away from home. "This is the first time I will have been away from home for eight weeks. So far, I have enjoyed it," comments Mr. Jeff Levitt a 16 year old from San Mateo. "Also I had never worked in a formal sense before. I am certainly learning alot."

For Miss Cindy Ramsey, 17, of Antioch, the camp was sort of an unknown adventure. "I wasn't sure what the camp would involve. I am glad I did come because I have learned a lot about nature, conservation and working with others."

The camp is also giving the students an opportunity to be around the Army. Many of the youngsters have formed friendships with the soldiers who eat in the dining facility.

"I expected a lot of work, but I have found a lot of learning too," states Mr. Jerry Kang, 17, from San Rafael. "This is the first time I have been on a military post and it's nice. I am considering joining the Army after I graduate from school."

Many projects

During their stay the students have been involved in the following projects which will benefit post residents:

- Restoring the ecology trail.
- Clearing grass and rubble around the historic battery areas.
- Improving Mountain Lake Park.
- Reestablishing ground cover in the 1500 area.
- Restoring the perimeter around the San Francisco National Cemetary.
- Cleaning and trimming shrubs around Lobos Creek.
- Cleaning and painting post playgrounds.

The Youth Conservation Corp began in Sept. 1974 and is a nationwide effort.



Out on a limb

Members of the Youth Conservation Corps camp clean up tree branches inside the San Francisco National Cemetary. The youngsters are here for an

eight-week work-study camp. The young men and women are from around the Bay Area. (Photo by Daniel Jackson)



A little bridge work

Members of the Youth Conservation Corps camp repair and clean out a small ditch under the bridge

leading into the San Francisco National Cemetary. The youths are here to learn about conservation

and ecology while doing needed work on public lands. (Photo by Daniel Jackson)

Time to spare

Merle Haggard highlights week's events

The Bay Area Indian Arts and Crafts Show gets underway tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Foothill College main gymnasium.

Also tomorrow and Sunday there's racing action at the Golden Gate Raceway in Sonoma during the Fifth Annual Datsun Golden Gate Challenge. Warm-ups for the five event series start tomorrow at 8 a.m. with the main events running Sunday beginning at 11 a.m. Tickets are \$5 for tomorrow, \$12 for Sunday and \$15 for the weekend. The tickets are available through BASS and Ticketron.

Mitch Miller conducts the San Francisco Symphony in a free pops concert Sunday at 2 p.m. as the Midsummer Music Festival continues in Sigmund Stern Grove.

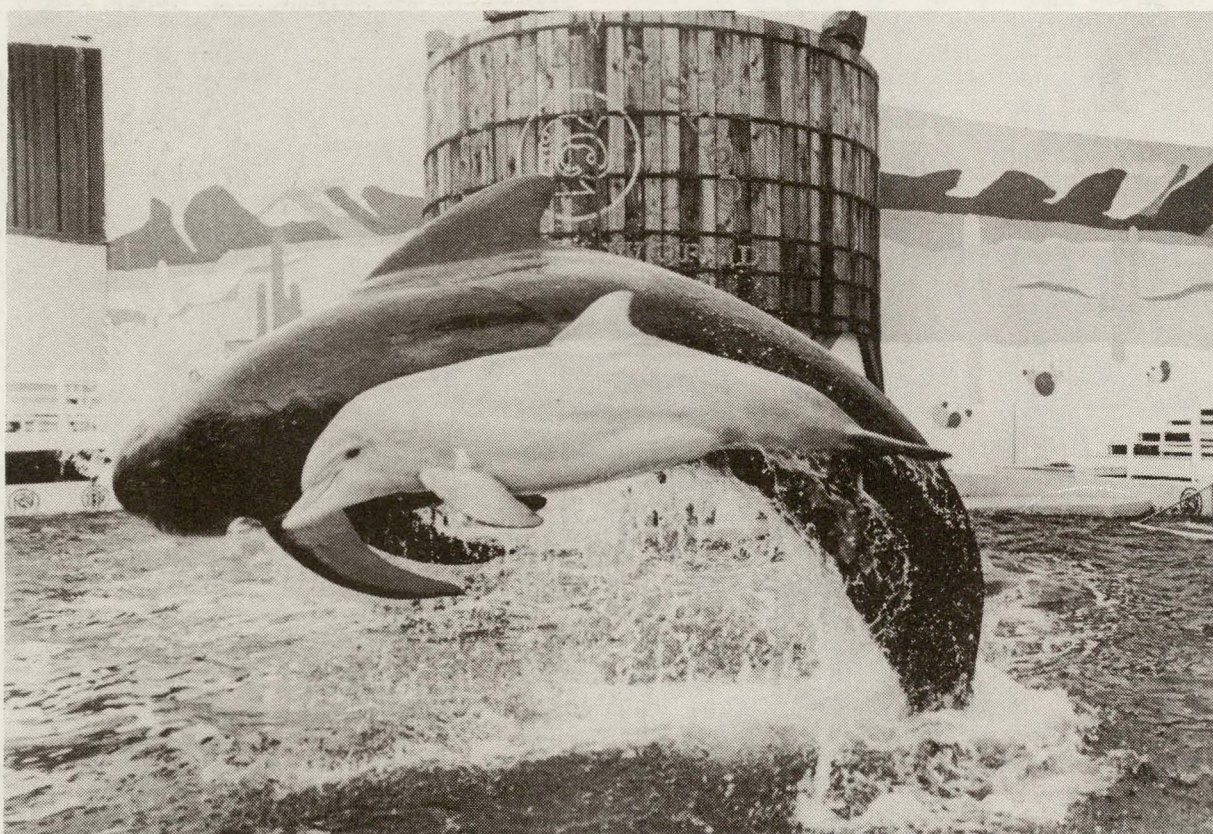
Merle Haggard appears at the Old Waldorf next Friday at 8 and 11 p.m. Tickets are \$9.50 in advance and \$11 the day of the show and are available through BASS outlets.

The Champion Spark Plug 200 motorcycle race is scheduled for Aug. 2-3 at the Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey. This is the only west coast American Motorcyclists Association event of the year and the race promises to bring top national riders to the track. Contact the raceway ticket office at (408) 373-1811 for more details.

Also on Aug. 3, POCO with their special guest, Dave Mason, appear at the Frost Amphitheater at Stanford at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 in advance and are available through BASS outlets.

Presidio youths between 12 and 18 years old are invited to compete in the Third Annual City Junior Novice Tennis Championships at the Golden Gate Park Tennis Courts Aug. 4-8. Deadline for entries is July 21. For more information call the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department at 558-4054.

"The Tempest" opens Aug. 6 as the Shakespeare Festival continues in Berkeley's John Hinkel Park. The play runs through Aug. 31 with show times set for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Call 845-0303 for more information.



They flipped for one another

"Koko," a 1700 pound Pacific pilot whale and his sidekick "Bayou," a bottlenosed Atlantic dolphin, are among a troupe of six marine animals who per-

form at Marine World/Africa USA. Discount tickets for the park are available at the Presidio Recreation Center.

The Jesuit community at the University of San Francisco is hosting a variety of slide lectures on history topics. The lectures are presented on Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. in Cowell Hall at USF. Contact Dr. George Turner at 771-6403 for more information.

The Presidio Recreation Center has a variety of discount offers available. Coupons for the Renaissance Pleasure Fair in Navato are now available. The fair starts Aug. 2 and runs on weekends through Sept. 7.

The Rec Center also has San Francisco Diner's Out Club booklets on hand. The booklets allow two to eat for the price of one. Normally the tickets go for \$25, but the Rec Center has them available for only \$16.

The center also has baseball tickets for three upcoming games. Tickets include the Giants-Pittsburgh game Sunday, the Giants-St. Louis on Tuesday and the Giants-Chicago on Aug. 3. Sunday game discounts are \$5 with Tuesday's tickets going for \$2.50.

Every Thursday at the Rec Center guitar lessons are offered at 7 p.m. Cost for four weeks of instruction is \$10.

The center also offers ongoing lessons in pool on Thursdays at 7 p.m. and dynamic dance on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

The Rec Center is planning a canoe trip on the Russian River on Aug. 17. Included in the trip is a wine tasting tour and barbeque.

For more information on Rec Center discounts or trips call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

School bells to ring for Presidio adults

Enrollment is underway for new college courses which will begin during the month of August.

San Francisco State University's on post offerings for the Aug. 25-Oct. 16 term include:

History of California, a three semester hour class to be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5 to 7:45 p.m. in the Letterman Army Medical Center Education Center.

A sociology course worth four semester hours, **Introduction to Contemporary Social Issues** will be offered Monday and Wednesdays from 5 to 8:45 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center.

Psychology of Social and Occupational Development will be held on Monday and Wednesday for 6-8:45 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center. This class earns three semester hours credit.

First Year Written Composition will meet on Tuesdays through Dec. 5 at the LAMC Education Center from 5-7:45 p.m.

To register for any of these courses or for more information contact a counselor at the

Fort Scott Center at 561-2974 or at the LAMC office, 561-4030.

Columbia College, sponsored by the Navy Campus for Achievement at Treasure Island and the Oakland Army Base Education Center, is now offering a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice.

The new degree replaces the administration of justice major but those already going for this degree will be allowed to complete it.

Introduction to Criminal Justice, the prerequisite for the new degree program will be offered on Thursdays at Treasure Island during the term Aug. 11 through Oct. 4.

Other classes to be offered during the term at Treasure Island include:

Research and Methodology in Psychology on Monday; **Basic Business Math**, Tuesdays; **English Composition II**, Thursdays. Over at **Oakland Army Base**, Columbia will offer **Consumer Behavior**, Tuesdays, **Group Processes**, Wednesdays, **Western Civilization I**, Monday.

Columbia also has campuses at Hamilton Air Force Base and at Petaluma. Course at Hamilton include: **Advertising Management**, Tuesdays; **Business Communication**, Wednesdays.

Principals of Marketing will be offered at the Coast Guard Training Center in Petaluma on Mondays.

Columbia offers a five eight-week sessions per year. Classes meet one night a week for five hours. This allows the course to meet the same number of hours that on-campus classes do.

Since the school is a Serviceman's Opportunity College, it evaluated military experience and schooling for academic credit. The school offers both associates and bachelor degree programs in business, psychology and criminal justice.

Interested soldiers, dependents or DoD civilians can obtain more information by calling Mr. Larry Blades or Ms. Margaret Kirkpatrick at 397-4613. Active duty members, however, should check with either the LAMC or Fort Scott Education Centers before enrolling in any program.

Sports

Shorts

Boxers wanted

The Sports Branch is attempting to revive intramural boxing. Individuals who are interested in participating should contact Jim Ragasa at the Fort Scott gym at 561-3106/1226. Training should start on Aug. 4.

Exercise class set

An exercise class is held at the post gym every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 p.m. All ladies are welcome to join. The sauna is also open until 8 p.m.

Practice underway

The women's post basketball team is presently underway with practices scheduled every Wednesday night from 7-9:30 p.m. at the main post gym. If you're interested in participating, contact coach Henry Dillard at 466-2659/3410.

Swim with us

The post swimming is offering a variety of programs in an effort to develop a comprehensive aquatics program.

A course in aquanastics is in the makings right now and is slated to open in September.

Aquanastics is a program of water exercises which are designed to improve a participants strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness.

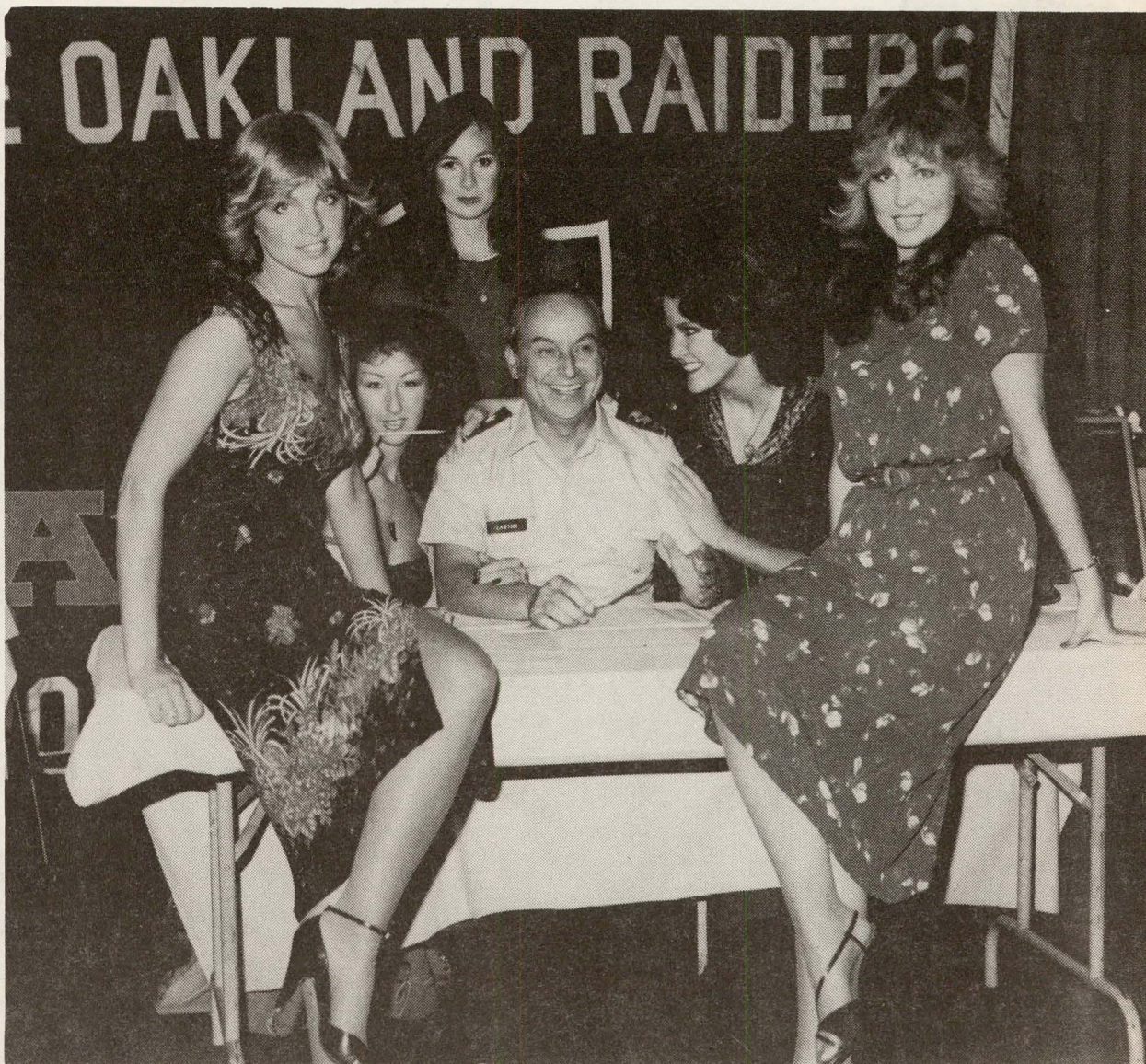
Officials at the pool are limiting enrollment in the course to 10 persons.

Plans are also being made for adult beginner swim classes, advanced life saving courses and a tiny tot swim program.

Interested persons are asked to contact the pool staff at 561-3673 for more information and pre-registration.

New hours announced

New hours for the use of the sauna at Gym No. 1 by women are as follows: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30-11 a.m.; Tuesday, Thursday, 12:15-1 p.m. and 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, Holidays, 10 a.m. to noon.



They just love a man in uniform

Maj. Gen. Philip Lawson, commander of the 91st Division found himself surrounded by members of the Oakland Raiders' Raiderettes recently. The Raiders and their cheerleaders are an important

part of the Army's recruiting program in the Bay Area and in efforts to convince kids to stay in school.

(Photo by Max Woerner)

Steinbaugh retains crown

Although they finished sixth out of ten, the Presidio golf team came home from the 1980 FORSCOM Golf Tournament with at least a few reasons to celebrate.

Jim Steinbaugh defended his seniors individual title for the second straight year, winning with an impressive 234 total. Steinbaugh later teamed with Leroy Cole to capture the

senior team honors with an overall score of 484. Bobbie Tate snatched third place in a very competitive open first flight division.

Steinbaugh has been selected for all-Army trials at Fort Meade, Md. on Aug. 7.

The FORSCOM tourney was played last week at Fort Riley, Kan., in the midst of a blistering 105 degree heatwave.

Darling out dashes Moore in fun run

Last week's fun run race featured some exciting results. Jim Moore gave Bob Darling a true run for the money as he pushed Darling to the limit. Even though Darling took the lead from Moore after 1½ miles on the Kobbe Hills, Moore stayed by close. Moore ran the downhill very quickly to close within seconds of Darling with half a mile to go. Darling regained his composure

to surge away to an 11 second victory, 28:21 to 28:30. The course is an extremely hilly five mile loop that is slow, yet scenic and demanding. In third place was Jay Genning. The fastest female time ever on the course was run by Linda Wetts-tein with a 37:05. She pushed herself to a sixth place finish. That bettered Valerie Loppes' previous record by 1:45.

Sixth Army routs USAG 11-1 in five

"Stretch" Carr and his Sixth Army team needed only five innings to rout USAG 11-1 in their final game of the regular season. Sixth Army scored seven runs in the first three innings while holding the powerful Garrison scoreless. USAG scored their only run in the fourth inning on a lead-off double by 'Turner' and scored on 'Darbye's' single. Sixth Army ended the game by scoring three runs to win by the 10 run rule. Robert Clipper was the star of the game scoring three runs and going three for three at the plate.

LAMC No. 2, coached by Bill Patrick, continued their winning streak by shellacking Public Health, 14-3, to improve their overall record of 19-1 and win the 1980 Presidio Intramural

League Championship. The Doctors of LAMC stayed close with an impressive record of 18-2 to walk off with the second place team trophy. Both teams will be competing in the post championship.

Women drop one

On Saturday the women's post softball teams split a double header with Castle AFB. The first game was very close, but the Presidians came up short, 8-9. A great defensive effort by Mary Ellen Dailey, Bess Watts, Phyllis Singleton and Kathy Galither and a grand slam by Pae Miha Lame contributed to an 8-1 win.

Presidio News Notes

Deadlines change

Beginning Aug. 7, the Star Presidian will be hitting the streets on Thursday afternoons.

The move is being made to allow readers to get the newspaper before the weekend begins.

The new publication date will mean changes in the deadlines for submission of articles to the newspaper.

All articles must be submitted to the Star Presidian by noon on Monday of the week the story will appear.

Letters to the Editor must be signed and a duty phone number given. If a person desires to have his name withheld, he may so state on the letter but must sign it.

The Star Presidian accepts no advertising of any kind to include stateside swaps, or items for sale. These items should be directed to the Weekly Bulletin which is published by the Presidio adjutant's office. Point of contact for the bulletin is Mrs. Eileen Craig at 561-3601.

For more information contact the Star Presidian staff by calling 561-3908 or 2005.

O'sea briefing set

A mandatory briefing for officer and enlisted personnel on orders for overseas assignments is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Aug. 7 at LAMC's Torney Hall. For more information call COMPACT's personnel management section at 561-4405.

E-8 board set to meet

An E-8 selection board is scheduled to meet at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., on October 28, according to S-5 Cheryl Holland of COMPACT's promotion section.

The board will consider eligible E-7's for promotion in the primary zone if their date of rank is earlier than Oct. 31, 1975, and in the secondary zone for individuals whose dates of rank fall between Nov. 1, 1975 and July 31, 1977.

For more information call Sp5 Holland at 561-2434.

Wear cool clothes

Military personnel travelling through Charleston Air Force Base between now and Oct. 1 are being advised to wear either the short sleeve khaki uniform or the short sleeve green shirt and light weight trousers, according to Rodney Williams of COMPACT.

Williams notes that the high heat and excessive humidity at Charleston could make travelling an uncomfortable experience for those not dressed for it.

For servicemembers travelling through Charleston to Germany, Williams advises packing alternate uniforms in their checked baggage for wear once they arrive.

Blood drive Aug. 19

Representatives of the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank will be on post Aug. 19 as the Presidio's quarterly blood drive kicks off.

Donations will be accepted at building 135 and 1227 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the drive.

Officials at the blood bank ask that those persons between the ages of 17 and 65 who wish to donate blood eat a low fat meal within four hours before donating. They caution, however, that no butter, cream or fried foods should be consumed prior to giving blood.

In May, Presidians turned out to donate 289 pints of blood to the Irwin bank. That figure was substantially lower than the previous quarter's 420 pints.

Irwin officials note that summer is traditionally a difficult time for blood banks for a variety of reasons. The demand for blood peaks, they say, because of the number of holiday and vacation related accidents and many people schedule elective surgery during the slow days of summer.



Reflections

Ken Juber's reflections in a store window is this week's top photo. The Star Presidian is looking for your picture to become our next photo of the

week. All weekly winners are held over for a quarterly prize. If you have a picture you'd like to see in this space, bring it by our newsroom in building 37, room 219.

That peak demand for blood comes at a time when donations fall off, the officials point out. People who would normally contribute to the driver are away on vacation or are preoccupied with summertime activities.

The Irwin officials also note that there is a continuing need for type O donors as the chronic shortage of that blood continues.

Female blouses coming

A new long and short sleeve green shirt for females is now scheduled for delivery to the Presidio post exchange in late November, according to Horst Roeckelein, PX manager.

Although the delivery is slated for that time, Roeckelein cautions Presidio's female soldiers that unanticipated rejections of items because of quality could cause delays in the shirts going on sale at the exchange.

The new shirts are designed for wear with the Army green skirt or pantsuit. A forthcoming change to uniform regulations spells out the policy regarding their wear.

Meeting scheduled

A planning meeting for the first of "All American Week" will be held Aug. 7 at 9 a.m. in the Audio-Visual meeting room, building 603.

An "All American Week" is being planned to provide a week of celebration for all persons within the Presidio military and civilian community.

Military personnel required to attend have been notified, however, the equal opportunity office solicits and welcomes attendance by any interested persons.

Competition opens

Presidians interested in competing in the 1980 Freedoms Foundation Awards Program should submit their entries before Oct. 1, 1980.

For more information on all award categories, write to the Awards Department, Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Valley Forge, PA 19481.

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Receives 25 stitches

Girl mauled in unprovoked dog attack

A young Presidio girl received 25 stitches last week after she was attacked by a dog at a barbeque on Portola street.

The girl was treated and released at Letterman Army Medical Center after a German shepherd allegedly walked up and pawed her face in an apparently unprovoked attack July 25.

The dog has been placed in quarantine at the Presidio Veterinary Clinic.

According to Capt. Thomas Pool, post veterinarian, the 10-day quarantine of the animal is routine in any case such as this as a check for rabies.

He also says that during the quarantine

period he works with the animal to see if the dog has a vicious nature. The German shepherd involved in this attack does not seem to fit that description, says Pool.

Pool says that the owners of the dog are being ordered to build a fence to keep another attack from occurring.

If an animal is involved in more than one unprovoked biting incident, Pool says that post officials can confiscate the animal and demand that the owner remove the pet from post.

Pool says that animal owners could help control animals on post in a variety of ways. One way, he says, is to have their animals registered on post with the vet clinic. He notes that the

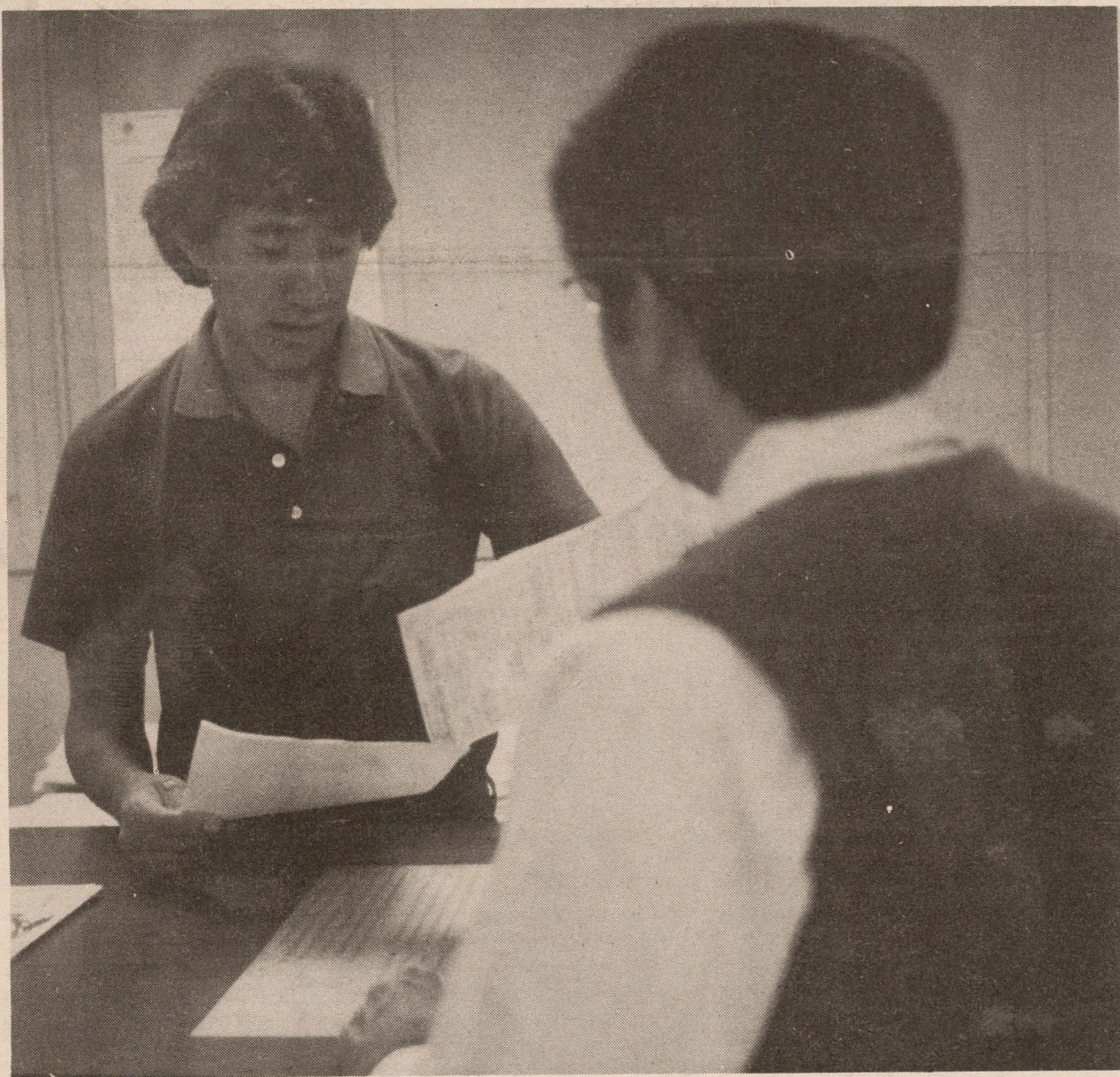
registration takes very little time, requires only a quick health check of the animal and is required by post regulation.

Pool also cites post regulations that require all dogs to be either on a leash or under "close voice control" at all times.

"That doesn't mean that the dog is within sight," Pool explains, "Close voice control means that the dog must be by the owner's side."

He says that when animals are found loose in quarters areas, they are brought into the vet clinic. Once the owner is located, he or she must retrieve the animal and reimburse the clinic for boarding.

Plenty of jobs available on post



You're applying for what job?

Edgar Lister of the Civilian Personnel Office goes over an application with a prospective employee.

The CPO is currently accepting applications for a variety of positions which remain vacant.

The Presidio Civilian Personnel Office is looking for qualified persons to fill **temporary full-time positions** around post.

According to Mr. Don Binder, chief of the Employment Branch, the hiring of temporary employees is exempt from the hiring freeze imposed by President Carter.

Positions available include **procurement clerks, supply clerks, transportation clerks, military personnel clerks, clerk-typists, and clerk stenographers**. Grades at which the employees will be hired range from GS 3 to 5.

Salaries for the jobs range from \$8,128 to \$11,993 per year depending upon the individual's experience, education, and results of the civil service test and their typing or stenographic ability, if appropriate.

Binder explains that the President's hiring freeze allows the hiring of temporary employees as long as they do not replace permanent positions. So most jobs are filled for a period not to exceed one year.

This is a good way for military dependents and friends of people assigned here to get started in the federal service," Binder points out.

For those persons who have to take the civil service exam, it can be accomplished right on post. "We administer the test every two weeks," explains Binder. "It then takes us two or three days to grade it."

CPO is also looking for **current employees** of any DoD activity who feel they may qualify for permanent positions as: **computer aids, accounting technicians, supply clerks, military payroll clerks, military payroll examiners (review), voucher examiners, payroll clerks, mail clerks, clerk-stenographers, cash clerks, clerk-typists or secretarial positions**.

The positions available are in the GS 3-5 range.

Individuals interested in either the temporary or permanent positions available are asked to contact either **Ms. Ann Glynn** or **Ms. Emma Devora** at 561-5752.

Three soldiers killed in San Diego explosion

Three soldiers were killed early Tuesday in an explosion at the Point Loma Submarine Support Facility near San Diego.

The soldiers were assigned to the 70th Ordnance Detachment (EOD), a sub-element of the 548th Ordnance Detachment (EODCC), headquartered here.

Six other soldiers escaped the blast with one

suffering a minor eye injury that was treated on the scene.

The dead include Spec. 5 Nancy Oszakewski of Villa Park, Illinois, Spec. 5 Ronald Kostenbader of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and a PFC Joseph Tripodi of Clinton, Ohio. The victims ranged in age from 19-24 years.

The explosion, of unknown cause, occurred during a loading operation involving contraband fireworks which had been confiscated by U.S. Customs officials and stored at the Point Loma site. The soldiers were loading the contraband for shipment to a disposal site at Fort Irwin, Calif.

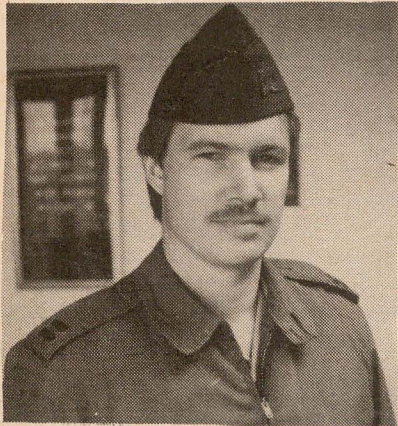
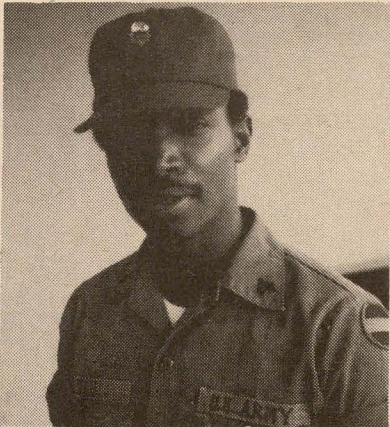
The cause of the explosion is currently under investigation.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

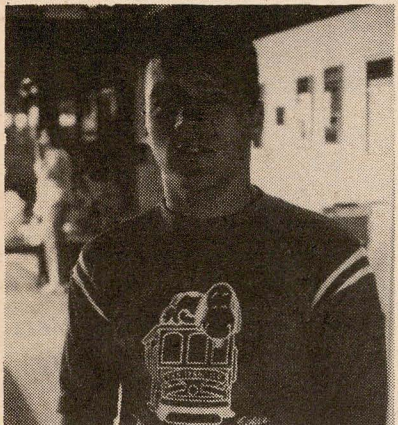
What change would you like to see in the Star Presidian?

Sgt. Wesner Nau, DIO—"I think the paper does a pretty good job, but I think if you had more pages it would be better."



Capt. Steve Bunker, LAMC—"I would like to see some sort of a regular column that deals with the various neighborhoods and their activities. It would help tailor it to families."

SFC David Murphy, SJA—"I like it the way it is but maybe they should talk more about the various service clubs that offer tours in the local area and the opportunities to see things around here."



Pvt. Michael Hurley, MISO—"I would like to see more human interest type stories that highlight someone's job or things like that."

MSgt. John Weeks, Readiness Region Nine—"One thing I would like to see are more negative comments. I see a lot of positive comments in the paper, but I think to make changes we need to listen more to the negative side, especially with regard to community life around here."



We're changing

Dear Readers,

This issue marks the end of an era in the history of the Star Presidian. Beginning next week we will come to you on Thursdays and on new stock. These changes also mark the end of our 14 month redesign of the newspaper. We hope that you have found the changes to be improvements.

During our redesign we have attempted to use the latest techniques to provide you a more readable paper with articles worth reading.

We have established new objectives for the paper during the past 14 months. Our primary goal being to serve you, our readers, by providing you with the information you need to improve yourselves, your quality of life, and your service to our country.

We have tried to print the good and the bad news. We have also strived to present both sides of every issue and every story. We can only hope to have succeeded.

Another of our goals has been to reach every segment of our audience which includes active duty soldiers, reservists, dependents, retirees, veterans, and Department of the Army Civilians. We always give it our best shot.

For the most part, I feel that our efforts have been successful. Our readership is up. Our ratings from Department of the Army have risen from a Class C to a Class A. We have been honored by FORSCOM for articles and for layout.

But the best honors we have received have come from you, our readers. Nothing gives us more pride and more determination to do an ever better job than your many letters and comments.

As we begin this new era I encourage each of you to call or write us with both your good and bad comments and, always, with your suggestions. We are here to serve you. How can we help?

The Editor

Put meaning into honor ceremonies

Dear Editor,

I've just returned from our annual 20 minute remembrance of the POWs and MIAs. There were several things that I feel might warrant comment and I choose to do so via a letter to the editor.

First and probably foremost, I was quite struck by the turnout; of course that is very understandable considering that the letter announcing the event didn't come out until yesterday.

I have some suggestions which I've thought about for a long time. Why can we not have, on these very few occasions, an installation-wide retreat ceremony? Instead of the sprinkling of company grade offers and a mere handful of NCOs and junior enlisted among a predominately senior officer gathering, I would like to see those medical, supply food service, and support personnel who seldom show up.

I would like to see 7-8,000 bodies congregated on the parade field. I

wonder what the impact would be if virtually all the Presidio population, military, civilian, and dependents gathered to pay tribute to those who should be considered as our own but are, in fact, forgotten, as Maj. Smith so eloquently put it in his remarks.

I would like to see a working public address system for a change. The technology is certainly available and Lord knows that a great deal of money is expended in what I consider to be less important ways.

Speaking of the Lord, I personally took affront with the reference to a Christian deity in the opening prayer.

Perhaps more than anything else, I would like to see some meaning... real meaning... attached to what we do when we render our various honors rather than continuing to do as we have here at the Presidio for so very long, hold obligatory activities and ceremonies which, in the final analysis, lose all meaning.

SFC Sterne A. Roufa

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'MAME' receives eight awards

"You're just sensational Mame," is more than a line out of a Broadway musical, it's also the way judges for the FORSCOM Festival of Performing Arts felt about the Presidio Playhouse's production of MAME.

According to Playhouse director, Don Hess, the judges selected **Ann Homrig-hausen**, Mame, as **best actress** in a musical play, and **Tom Fulghum** as **best child actor** for his role as Patrick Dennis.

The production also won the **best costume design** for a musical play thanks to the talents of **B. J. Fredrickson**, and **Roger Henderson** was honored for overseeing the **best choreography**.

Receiving "Awards of Excellence," or second place in the festival was **Don Hess** for his **direction** and the play itself.

Third place or "Honorable Mention" was awarded for the play's **lighting** by **Lynn Koolish** and **set design** by **Peiter Grote**.

Three judges traveled to 24 posts to evaluate productions presented by local Morale Support Activities Music and Theatre Branches. The trio selected Fort Stewart's "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," as best musical.

The Presidio Playhouse has long been recognized for its outstanding productions having won 33 awards from FORSCOM and Department of the Army.

The Playhouse's next production will be "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail" which opens the first week of October. Parts are still available for men.



Once upon a time. . .

Ann Homrig-hausen as Mame and Tom Fulghum as her adopted nephew, Patrick, display the talents that made them award winners in FORSCOM competition. Ms. Homrig-hausen took

best actress in a musical and Fulghum was named best child actor for their portrayals. They were but two of several awards for the Presidio production. (Photo by Chelgren)

Thieves grab \$3000 from parked cars

Almost \$3000 worth of property was stolen out of Presidio automobiles during the past several months according to figures compiled by the Presidio MP's.

Sgt. James Benishek, statistician for the Provost Marshal's office, says that while a number of the thefts occurred during duty hours, most of the thefts occurred in quarters areas at night.

He notes that his figures do not include the damage done to the vehicles in terms of forced entry or vandalism in 19 of the recent cases.

The objects taken in most of the thefts were stereo or radio equipment. Seven of the thefts, for example, involved AM/FM stereo cassette decks.

The single most expensive item taken was a \$1000 stereo equalizer which was stolen from a car parked outside the Letterman gymnasium.

Other cases have involved the thefts of CB radio equipment.

One of the things that all of the robberies have in common, says Benishek, is that the owners left valuable items inside their cars rather than in secure locations.

People could guard against such thefts, he says, if they just exercised a little "common sense."

He suggests that persons should either take valuables inside with them when they leave their autos or lock the items in the trunk. "Never," Benishek stresses, "should valuables be left in plain sight in unattended vehicles."

Benishek also says that Presidians should always insure that their autos are locked when they leave them in either parking lots or at their quarters.

DEERS office opens today; registration to begin

The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) office at the Presidio, servicing some 2,200 retirees and 6,000 active duty military personnel and their dependents, will officially open today in building 39, according to 1st Lt. Sheila Dominguez, DEERS project officer.

DEERS is a Department of Defense-wide system designed to register and verify the eligibility of military sponsors and their dependents for care in military health care facilities.

The enrollment process begins with the opening of the DEERS office. Retirees will soon be sent a packet of information concerning DEERS along with the proper forms for enrollment of dependents. Active duty personnel and retirees receiving annuities will automatically enroll in the system. "We have to rely on the active duty person and the retiree sponsor to enroll their eligible dependents," continued Dominguez.

Rides

Sharing a ride saves money and energy

by Bob Mahoney

With the increasing cost of personal transportation and the ever challenging congestion on today's highways, the joining together of people commuting to and from the workplace is becoming the only way to survive, financially as well as mentally.

In the San Francisco area, a publicly funded corporation is making a consolidation a much easier task than ever before, and the Presidio is joining in the effort.

Rides for Bay Area Commuters, Inc. provides a computerized matching system where people looking for rides and people who can provide rides get together, share expenses and save energy.

The system has been in operation for two years with several Presidio soldiers and civilian employees already participating in the program.

While the carpool matching service is provided free to anyone requesting it, the current push is on the establishment of vanpools, where Rides Inc. provides the van and the riders share the cost.

The cost distribution is based on round trip mileage and number of passengers. For example,

The August 1 date was set as the beginning of the push to register eligible retiree dependents. "The active duty side of the house will be approached for registration of their eligible dependents during September and October," added Dominguez.

"Eligibility status will be checked beginning Nov. 1. The period from August through October will be for registration only," she emphasized.

The office, located in the basement of Building 39, will be manned by temporary employees of the civilian contractor responsible for the computerized system. They will be available to answer questions and to assist in the proper filling out of the forms.

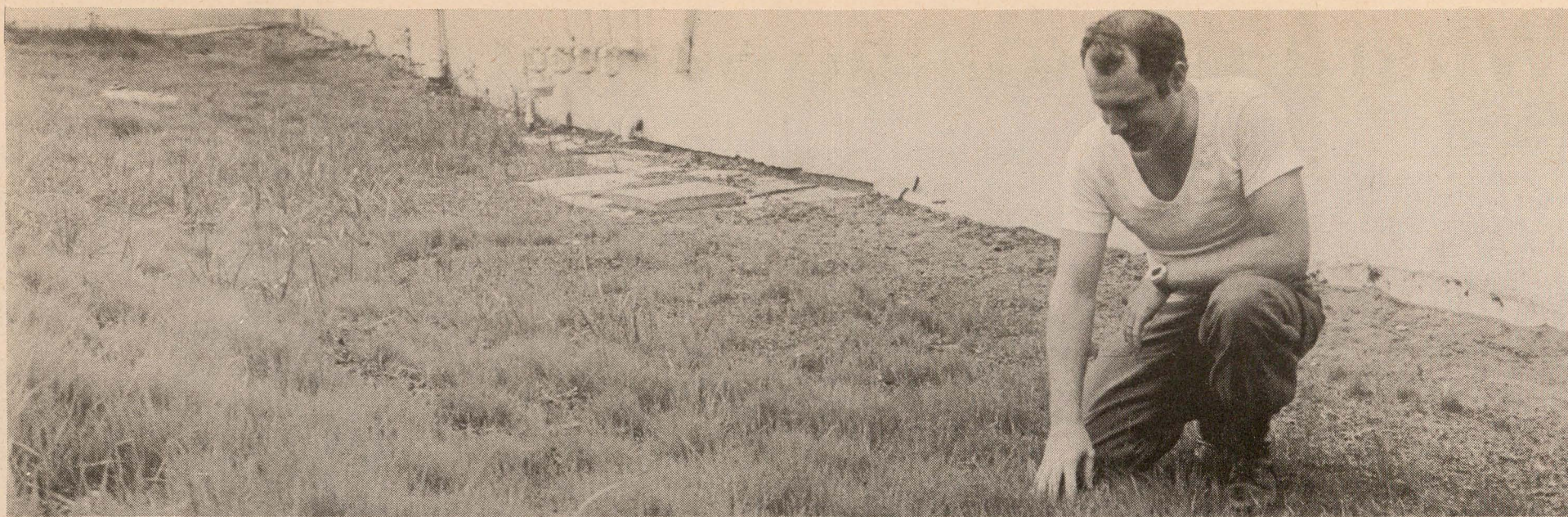
"Our people can be reached at 561-5306, 561-5511 or 561-5413. Any retiree not receiving their information packet by Aug. 18 should get in touch with us to arrange for one to be sent," concluded Dominguez.

a 35 mile round trip in a van carrying the maximum of 14 riders would cost each rider approximately \$40 per month.

The driver of the van would receive free passage in return for his service as driver. He would also be responsible for the care and maintenance of the van, which would be paid for by Rides Inc. through the collected fares. The driver also would receive use of the van as a personal vehicle, the first 100 miles a month being free except for gas. There is a maximum of 500 miles a month allowed for personal use. The 400 mile balance would be at a nominal charge.

The Presidio has established a key person system for coordination of the carpool/vanpool organization. Each major organization has an appointed individual who can provide interested parties with information concerning the system and explain some of the benefits of vanpooling.

For more information concerning how vanpooling works or for the name of a keyperson, contact MSgt Robert Biaocco, in the office of the Headquarters Commandant at 561-2850 or 561-2852.



The green, green grass of home

SSgt. Johnny Abshire checks over his new lawn which he and the Pershing Park Picasso of grass, MSgt. Fred Reed, put in recently.

Reed, Presidio's Picasso of lawns

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

When it comes to lawns, MSgt. Fred Reed may just be the Pershing Park Picasso of grass.

The admin. NCO for the post Inspector General's office, Reed is spending his own time and money to lay down a carpet of green on a common play area on his court at 1528 Stillwell Rd.

For Reed the job involves more than just throwing down some seed and watering it. He is spending two and a half days of his leave carefully preparing the area.

He starts by churning the ground with his roto tiller and raking out the rocks. After a second pass with the roto tiller, Reed spreads a layer of peat moss and manure fertilizer. Over the top of that he lays his grass seed and then covers that with another layer of peat moss.

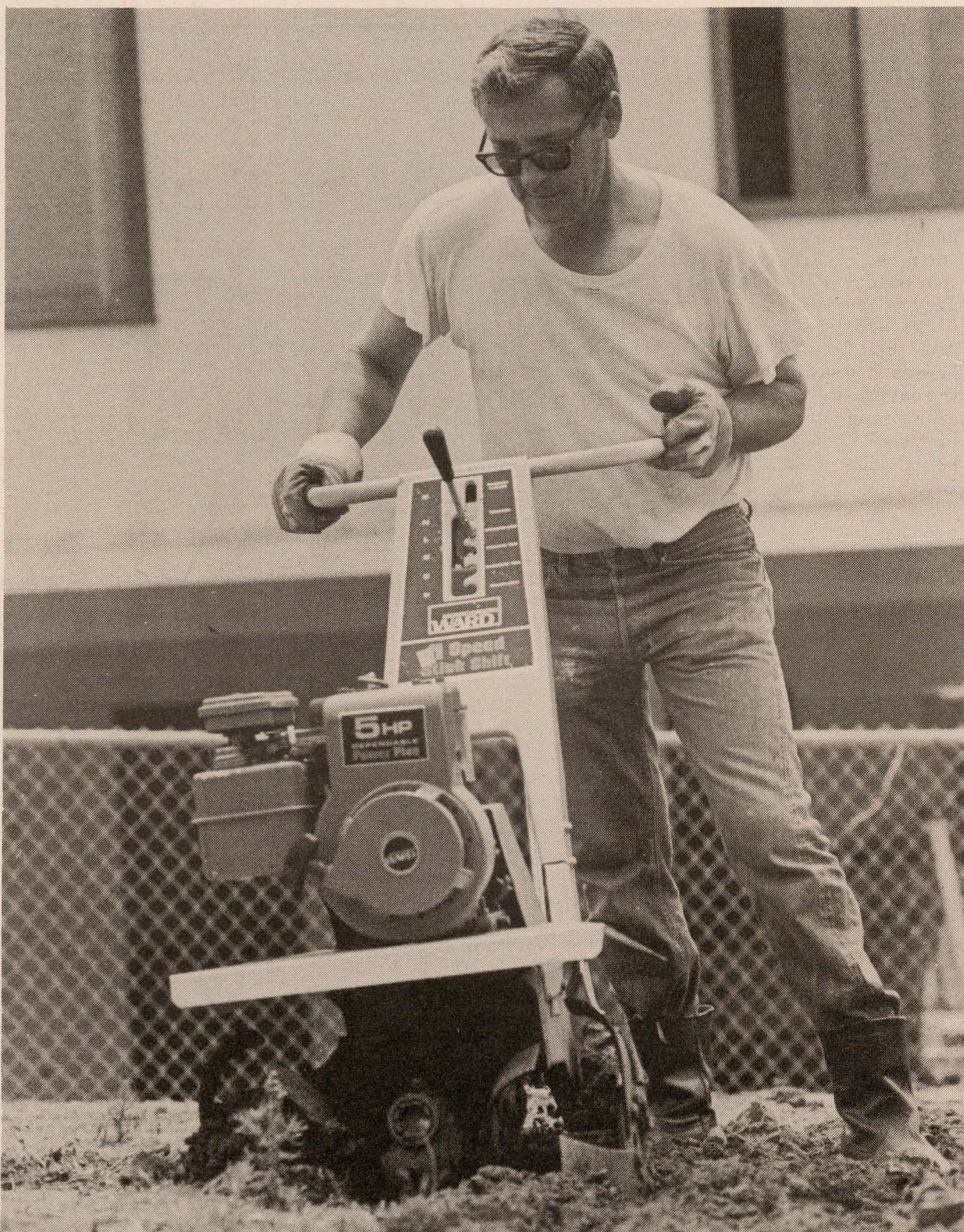
"The sandwiching of the seed between the layers of peat moss 'steams' the grass, causing it to sprout quicker and heavier and with a firmer base," explains Reed.

All together Reed estimates that he will spend \$40 on the play area.

According to Reed the latest push by post officials to improve the looks of the Pershing Park area had nothing to do with his latest project.

"I just got tired of looking at nothing but sand out here," he says.

The play area is not the only lawn work Reed has been doing in the area. He helped office co-worker, SSgt. Johnny Abshire put in his lawn over a period of several weekends recently. Reed also plans to help a neighbor put in his lawn after he finishes the play area.



Hard drivin' man

MSgt. Fred Reed starts the process of laying in a lawn on a common play area at his Stilwell Drive

quarters. Reed spent his own time and money on the common area because, he says, "I just got tired of looking at nothing but sand."

DoD seeks data on housing costs

Presidio soldiers living off post will soon be receiving a form asking them how much they pay in rent and utilities each month. The information is being sought as part of a DoD effort to gather information for a variable housing allowance.

According to DA personnel officials, DoD is sending data collection forms to service personnel to see how much they are paying for housing in different areas of the continental United States. The information will be used to determine a scale for the VHA presently included in the Nunn-Warner amendment.

The VHA program is designed to help pay part

of the housing costs not met by the current basic allowance for quarters (BAQ), say DA personnel officials.

Army personnel chosen to take part in providing base information for the VHA should be receiving the form soon. Army officials stress the importance of accurate and timely completion of the VHA data collection form. They add it will have a direct impact on how much money servicemembers will receive under the program.

Information asked for on the form includes the cost of rent or mortgage payments, and utilities, explain officials. The information will be used to

determine a scale for VHA payments to allow for different housing costs in different parts of CONUS. The officials say the variable allowance program will also benefit servicemembers assigned overseas but with families living in CONUS

"Should Nunn-Warner be approved," an official said, "adjustments would be made to the BAQ based on average housing costs in individual areas." The official continued that the basic allowance for housing would not be reduced for any servicemember, but some service personnel would receive more housing money based on the VHA scale decided by DoD.

Where are all the sergeants going?

by Tom Tiernan

Is the grass really greener on the other side of the fence? That's a question an increasing number of mid-level NCOs are asking themselves as they approach their ETS dates.

According to SFC Nilger Moore, post re-enlistment NCO, 40 percent of those who decide to try life on the other side of the fence do so because they haven't been asked to reenlist.

"We just had a soldier come through the Transfer Point on terminal leave. He was asked if he wanted to reenlist and he said yes, but no one at his unit in Korea had asked him," Moore points out.

In a matter of four or five days Moore had the soldier attached to the Presidio and things worked out so that he could reenlist as if he was still in Korea making him eligible for a CONUS station of choice.

Now he's at his new duty station in the states. The Army kept a good soldier and Korea got credit for the reenlistment.

But despite efforts by Moore and those of hundreds of other re-enlistment officials, the number of mid-range NCOs hanging up their uniforms is increasing at an alarming rate.

Moore feels it's a matter of pure economics that is driving many soldiers out of the Army.

"By the time a soldier reaches an E-6 or has ten years of service, his only real options are an overseas assignment or present duty. In the majority of cases these soldiers can remember when the exchange rate in Germany was four marks to a dollar and now that it is half that they're just scared. They don't want to go to Korea and face 12 months of being separated from their families, and they can't afford to stay here so they say to themselves, 'I can do better on the outside and so they get out,' Moore explains.

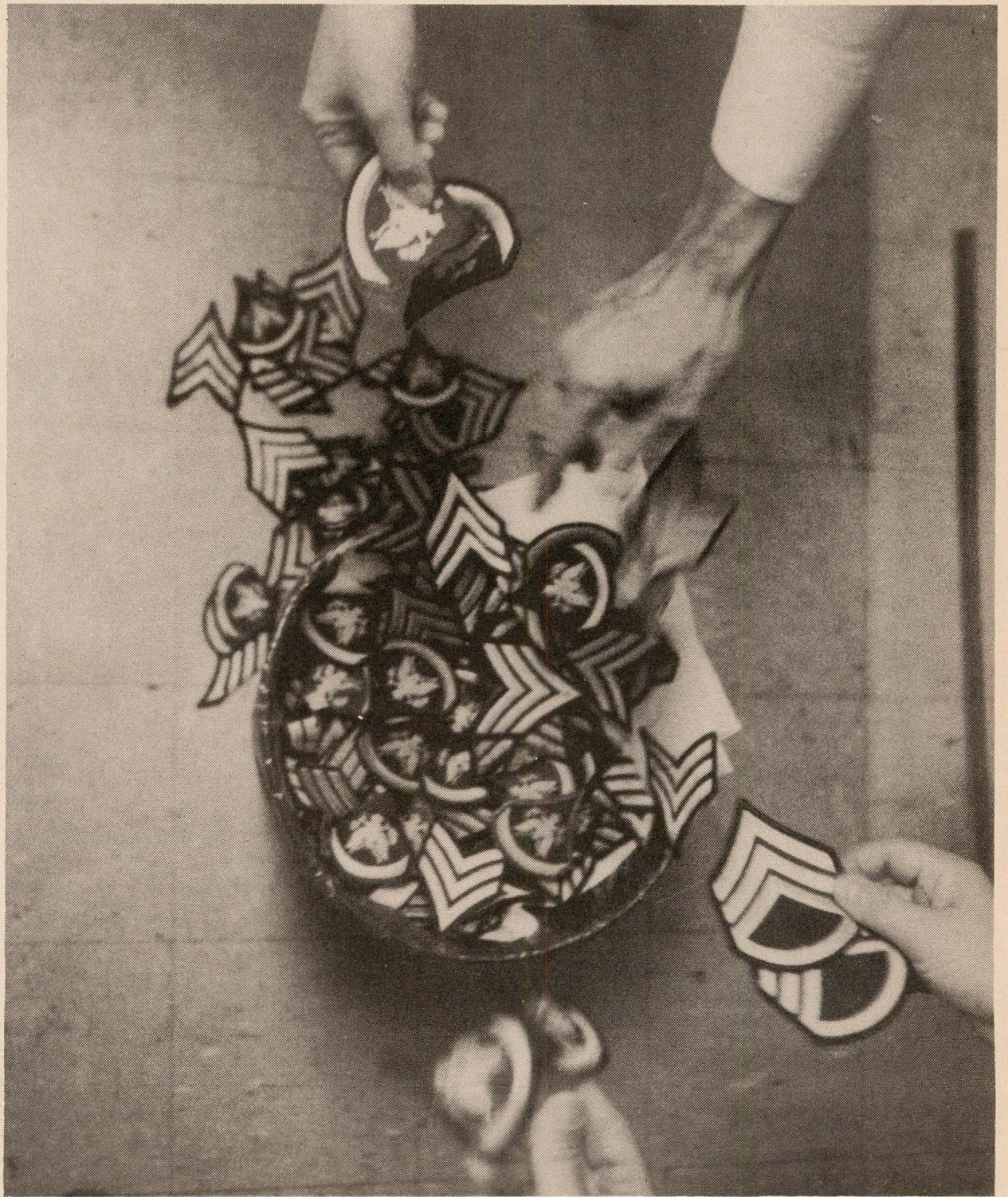
In a recent article, Army Times seemed to back up Moore when it stated that, "In a three month period, more than 1300 career soldiers in grades E-5 through E-7 declined to extend or re-enlist to meet the minimum service requirement for an overseas tour."

The exodus of mid-range NCOs is causing many problems. Combat units find themselves short of trained personnel capable of operating their advanced weaponry. Administrative units lack the experience to deal with the often complex problems they face. But more important a vicious circle has been formed as junior enlisted soldiers follow the example of their leaders.

"For the first term soldier, his only real choices are a service school, an overseas assignment, or present duty. They are reluctant to go overseas because they see how the mid and senior NCOs around them act at the thought of going overseas," Moore states. "If they are stationed in a high cost area, such as the Presidio, then they probably have a hard time affording things to do. So they too hit the streets."

Moves are under way at the Pentagon, on Capitol Hill, and in the White House to pass measures designed to help keep mid-ranged NCOs in the Army and to attract those who have gotten out to put their uniforms on again.

The Nunn-Warner amendment which con-



Chuckin' it all away

An increasing number of soldiers are pitching their stripes and hitting the streets to see if the grass really is greener on the other side of the gate.

tains among other things a proposal for a variable housing allowance, increased travel pay, and new reenlistment bonuses for certain NCOs has the full support of the President and is expected to go into effect this October.

Moore warns soldiers approaching their ETS dates to carefully weight the options available to them. To consider whether avoiding standing for-

Nearly 40 percent of those who do so were never talked to about reenlistment.

mation or pulling CQ is worth giving up the long list of benefits available to them such as medical care, educational opportunities, low-cost housing and the commissary and PX. And to ask himself how he can best achieve his goals.

"There's no easy answer to the question. Is the grass greener on the other side of the fence?" The individual must decide what is best for him," Moore concluded.

Your choice

Reenlistment office offers soldiers lots of options to pick from

Approaching your ETS date? Before you decide whether to hang up your greens, you might want to consider the options available to you through the re-enlistment program.

First term soldiers have 17 options to choose from, according to SFC Nilger Moore, post re-enlistment NCO.

Among the options are the "CONUS to CONUS Station of Choice" program which allows you to pick a new duty station in the continental United States. But Moore warns that this is a very popular choice and may be difficult to get.

If you like the Presidio and would like to stay here at least another year, then the "Present Duty" option may be for you. The Army guarantees soldiers a 12 month stabilized tour here.

If you are looking for a new adventure or want to see the world, then the "Overseas Assignment" option can offer you at least a one year tour in the area of your choice. Moore states, however, that some popular assignments such as Hawaii and Panama are hard to get and pinpoint

assignments to Europe are impossible to get.

Interested in changing your MOS, then a "Service School" option is the route you want to take.

The Army will send you to the school and to a new assignment where you can put your new skills to work.

Thirteen other options are available for those interested. Details of these can be obtained from your unit re-enlistment NCO.

Careerists in grades up to E-7 have all the options except for the CONUS to CONUS station of choice.

First termers and careerists with up to 10 years service also have the BEAR program.

The Bonus, Extension and Retention program allows qualified soldiers to attend a service school in a critical MOS while on an extension of their current enlistment.

Soldiers with 24 months of service or more are extended to cover the time necessary to complete

the school and the time remaining requirements. Once the individual graduates, he may either re-enlist and draw the selective re-enlistment bonus or he may serve out the remainder of his extension and then ETS or re-enlist.

Most of the MOS in the program fall basically into three areas: missiles, language, and military intelligence. Soldiers interested in this program should talk to their re-enlistment NCOs to get the full list of jobs available.

Moore states that soldiers in grades E-7 through E-9 have only two choices to them; recruiting duty or present duty assignment.

Soldiers approaching their ETS dates who would like to find out what options they have available to them should contact their unit re-enlistment NCOs or Moore. First termers should begin looking about seven months ahead of time and careerists five months before their ETS dates.

For more information call 561-3108 or 3594.

Time to spare

Concerts abound in coming weeks

Willie Nelson headlines his "First Annual California Picnic" at the Hughes Stadium in Sacramento tomorrow at noon. Appearing with Willie are Emmylou Harris, Merle Haggard, and Lacy J. Dalton. The picnic also features a ferris wheel, hot air balloon, pony rides, a skeet shoot, roping arena and a variety of other attractions. Tickets are available through BASS outlets.

Also tomorrow and Sunday is the Nihonmachi Street Fair on Post between Buchanan and Webster Street. The fair features arts and crafts, entertainment and food booths. Call 567-3851 for more information.

The Renaissance Pleasure Faire opens tomorrow in Marin County. The Faire runs on weekends through Sept. 7. The Presidio Recreation Center has discount tickets available. Call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily for more information.

Sunday the Midsummer Music festival continues its free concerts in the Sigmund Stern Grove with Los Dansantes De Alegrias, a production featuring 60 dancers, singers and mariachi players in a "Ballet Folklorico." The concert starts at 2 p.m.

Gorilla World opens at the San Francisco Zoo today. The exhibit is the world's largest natural gorilla habitat. In honor of the opening admission to the zoo is free.

Jackson Browne appears in two concerts in the Bay Area next week. Browne appears at the Oakland Coliseum Tuesday and at the Cow Palace Wednesday. Both concerts start at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8.50, \$9.50 and \$10.50 and are available through BASS outlets.

The Charlie Daniels Band comes to the Oakland Auditorium Arena on Aug. 21 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8.50 in advance and \$10 on the day of the show and can be purchased through BASS outlets.

Fohat also comes to the Oakland Auditorium Arena on Aug. 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets for their concert are \$9.50 in advance and \$11 all day of the show and are also available through BASS.

The Jesuit community at the University of San Francisco is hosting a variety of slide lectures on history topics. The lectures are presented on Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. in Cowell Hall at USF. Contact Dr. George Turner at 771-6403 for more information.



The enchanted Kingdom?

A crowd gathers at the entrance to the Renaissance Pleasure Faire in Novato. The Faire starts

tomorrow and runs through Sept. 7. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

The Presidio Recreation Center is planning a canoe trip on the Russian River Aug. 17. Cost of the tour is \$17.50 with three people per canoe and \$20.50 with two persons per canoe. The trip price includes transportation, equipment, a wine tasting tour and a barbeque. Deadline for registration is Thursday.

The Rec Center also has discount coupons for Great America and San Francisco Giants games. The Great America tickets entitles one adult free admission to the park with the purchase of three tickets.

The Rec Center also has San Francisco Diner's Out Club booklets on hand. The booklets allow two to eat for the price of one. Normally the tickets go for \$25, but the Rec Center has them available for only \$16.

The San Francisco USO has a variety of tours available. Every Friday through Aug. 22, the

USO offers tours to Alcatraz for \$2.50.

The USO is also planning a trip to the Santa Cruz Boardwalk on Aug. 9 for \$13. The tour price includes all rides and transportation.

A trip to Marine World/Africa USA is also on tap for Aug. 10. Cost of the tour is \$12.

On Aug. 5, the USO is sponsoring a trip to Great America for \$13. The tour price includes an all day park pass and transportation.

For information on any of the USO tours call 885-0234.

"The Tempest" opens Aug. 6 as the Shakespeare Festival continues in Berkeley's John Hinkel Park. The play runs through Aug. 31 with show times set for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Call 845-0303 for more information.

Funston's Medal of Honor now on display

A long sought after artifact has finally been put on display at the Presidio Army Museum—the Medal of Honor awarded to Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston.

According to museum curator, Eric Saul, the medal is on loan from the estate of the late Barbara Funston, the general's daughter.

Funston won the Medal of Honor for his actions in pursuit of rebel Captain Malolos during the Philippine Insurrection.

As the commander of the 20th Kansas Infantry, Funston followed Malolos through the jungle until he reached the Rio Grande river.

Surveying the scene, Funston found the river wide and swift with the rebels holding the only bridge. He sent out a detail to scout the crossing but they were unsuccessful finding only a small raft the rebels had forgotten to burn.

Funston knew that if he could get the raft to the other side and secure its tow rope, he might be able to shuttle it back and forth as a troop ferry.

Two soldiers volunteered to swim across the river pulling the raft after them. The made it and

soon Funston was among the first seven men to cross the river.

Funston's commander, General Authur MacArthur, Douglas's father, was watching the maneuver from a nearby bluff and recommended the three soldiers for citations.

All three received the Congressional Medal of Honor and Funston was promoted to brigadier general.

The general was now a national hero. But he would soon earn the affection and admiration of San Franciscans.

After the insurrection, Funston was assigned to San Francisco as deputy commanding officer of the Department of California.

On April 18, 1906, Funston was awakened by a tremendous earthquake. Within hours the city was being destroyed by an uncontrollable fire.

Funston was faced with an enemy he might be powerless to stop because the quake had destroyed the city's water mains leaving him without ammunition.

"I realized that a great conflagration was inevitable and that the city police force would not be able to maintain fire lines to protect property

of the great area affected," Funston later wrote. So he ordered all available soldiers from Fort Mason, Presidio and Forts Miley and Alcatraz to aid the police.

In the meantime, Funston decided that the only hope of stopping the fire was to dynamite a corridor around it and destroy the fuel it was feeding on.

After conferring with Mayor Eugene Schmitz, Funston ordered ordinance officers to blow up homes along Van Nes Avenue. When the fire reached the area, it burned itself out saving over one-third of San Francisco's homes.

After his assignment in San Francisco, Funston returned to the Philippines. And later commanded troops on the Mexican border.

By 1917 he had attained the rank of major general and was believed to have been President Woodrow Wilson's pick to be commander-in-chief of the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I. However, he died Feb. 19, 1917 at the age of 52, before an announcement could be made.

Funston is buried in the San Francisco National Cemetery and his uniform is on display at the museum.

Sports

Shorts

Swimmers sought

The Aquarius Swim Club is searching for new talent.

A recruiting meet will be held at the Letterman Army Medical Center swimming pool Aug. 7 at 5 p.m.

All youngsters ages five through 18 who can swim one length of the pool are invited to participate in the meet.

The swim club is a Dependent Youth Activity. It is a member of the North Bay Aquatic League as well as the Pacific Association of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Those swimmers who cannot attend the meet are urged to come to the team's daily workout held from 4 to 6 p.m. at the LAMC pool or to contact Ernie Siefert at 561-5855.

Get psych'd up

A course designed to help athletes reach and maintain peak performance through "sports psyching" will start on Monday at the Central YMCA.

The six-week class will be taught by Daniel Pasutti, psychologist and certified hypnotherapist. Pasutti has four years' experience in private practice working with professional athletes.

Students may register at 220 Golden Gate Avenue or call 885-0460 for more information.

Swim competition set

The San Francisco Merionettes will host an **International Synchronized Swimming Competition** Aug. 10 at the Balboa Pool on San Jose Ave. and Havelock St. The meet is free of charge.

Competing in solo, duet, and team events will be young women representing Mexico and West Germany as well as the host Merionettes squad.

A demonstration of synchronized swimming techniques will be given by members of the local club during the intermission between the morning figures competition and the routines portion Sunday afternoon.

Clinic set

If you have always wanted to learn to play racquetball, but were never able to find a place that offered lessons, your search is over. The San Francisco Central YMCA at 220 Golden Gate Ave., is offering a clinic for beginners.

The clinic runs four consecutive Thursdays starting Sept. 4 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The sessions cover rules, serves, shot-making and court etiquette. The deadline for registration is Sept. 2.

For further information contact Kevin Currin at 885-0460.



You're out

A runner gets tagged at the plate during the post softball championships. The catcher, however,

dropped the ball and the man scored. USAG prevailed at the tourney to take the championship.

USAG softball champs

USAG proved that they are the "cream of the crop" by soundly defeating the 170th MP Company, 22-7 for the second time in two days in the finals of the post softball championship. The MP's, coming off another come from behind victory against the 864th Engineers, found a fresh USAG team eager to do battle. In the first inning, USAG scored seven runs on six hits, including two doubles, three singles and a base-clearing inside the park home run by **Frank Woodward**. For the next three innings, the 170th fought back to close the gap 11-7. The roof caved in during the bottom of the fourth inning when the big bats of USAG exploded again, bombing the MP's with eight hits and scoring 11 runs to put the game out of reach after five innings.

At the conclusion of the tournament, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Presidio commander, presented team and individual awards to the league and post champions. **Bill Patrick**, accepted the

league championship trophy in behalf of LAMC No. 2 and **John Krouse** of the LAMC Doctors accepted the league runner-up award. **George Bates**, 170th MP coach and team captain, accepted the post championship runner-ups award. Carlton Miles, USAG coach, accepted the post championship trophy. The tournament "out-standing player award" was presented to Bates.

The tournament team selected is as follows:
Catcher—Wayne Thomas, LAMC No. 2
Pitcher—George Bates, 170th MP CO
First Base—Bobby Garrison, USAG
Second Base—Jack Moran, HQS, 6th Army
Third Base—John Krouse, LAMC Doctors
Shortstop—Alan Carr, HQS, 6th Army
Left Field—Kris White, LAMC Doctor
Center Field—Glenn Turner, USAG
Right Field—Raul Estela, LAMC No. 2
Short Fielder—Andy Dionna, 170th MP CO
Pitcher—Bill Patrick, LAMC No. 2
Outfielder—James Fabretti, 864th ENGRS

Baker-to-Baker run to help USO

The second annual **Baker to Baker Run** will be held **Aug. 17** to raise funds for the San Francisco USO.

Sponsored by Letterman Army Medical Center, the race features a two person relay team from Fort Baker to Baker Beach and back to Fort Baker.

This year's event offers a new category, the Iron Persons, which permits single runners to participate in the ten mile event.

Ribbons will be awarded to all finishers plus first through third place ribbons to both members in each age division.

Age group divisions will be determined by combined age of the team.

An entry donation of \$4 per team or iron person is required.

Entry forms are available by contacting the San Francisco USO or Lt. Col. Tom Fahey at LAMC, 561-2155.

Lakers overcome Hawks 72-61

The **Lakers** overcame a 16 point deficit to defeat a frustrated **Hawks** team 72-61. The winners were paced by Murray's 25 points and Glad-den's 18 points. The losers were paced by Davis' 17 points and Hatten's 15 points.

The win for the Lakers pitted them against the number one team in the league, the Champions. Both teams share blazing speed and quickness.

As anticipated, both teams came out running, but the Champions defense coupled with sharpshooters Williams, 22 points, Fulcher 18 points and Dillard, 16 points, proved too much for

the **Lakers**, enabling the **Champions** to pull away in the end with a 76-71 victory.

Next week the Champions play against the hungry Hawks, who are determined to upset the league leaders.

Boating classes set

The Outdoor Recreation Center will sponsor a boating safety classes Aug. 11, 12 and 18 at 7 p.m.

Call 561-4324 or stop by the Outdoor Recreation Center located in building 92 to sign up for a class.

Presidio News Notes

School registration on

Registration for new students in the San Francisco Unified School District begins on Aug. 18. Presidio dependent children are assigned to schools based on their quarters address. Parents who have not received booklets indicating to which school their child is assigned are urged to contact the Army Community Service at 561-5057/5156.

ACS officials also note that children in grades kindergarten through fifth are bussed by the city school district, while higher grades must rely on Muni transportation.

The officials ask that parents whose children are enrolled in St. Monica's Star of the Sea, Zion Lutheran, Kittredge, Katherine Burke, Sherman, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Bridgids, Convent of the Sacred Heart, Stuart Hall or Hamlin schools contact the ACS for information on military bus transportation to the schools.

Deadlines change

Beginning Aug. 7, the Star Presidian will be hitting the streets on Thursday afternoons.

The move is being made to allow readers to get the newspaper before the weekend begins.

The new publication date will mean changes in the deadlines for submission of articles to the newspaper.

All articles must be submitted to the Star Presidian **by noon on Monday** of the week the story will appear.

Letters to the Editor must be signed and a duty phone number given. If a person desires to have his name withheld, he may so state on the letter but must sign it.

The Star Presidian accepts no **advertising** of any kind to include stateside swaps, or items for sale. These items should be directed to the Weekly Bulletin which is published by the Presidio adjutant's office. Point of contact for the bulletin is Mrs. Eileen Craig at 561-3601.

For more information contact the Star Presidian staff by calling 561-3908 or 2005.

Soldiers wanted

Has the Presidio begun to get you down? Are you tired of your current MOS? Want something new and different? Well, the Army's looking for soldiers interested in becoming **prime power operators**.

The U. S. Army Facilities Engineering Support Agency (FESA) offers a one year training course to qualified soldiers at Fort Belvoir, VA. Soldiers successfully completing the course will earn the prime power production specialists MOS (MOS 52E) with an additional skill identifier in either mechanical (S2), electrical (S3), instrumentation (S4), or health physics (S5).

Soldiers who complete the training will operate and maintain Army nontactical diesel and gas turbine generators. They may also work with heating, ventilation, air conditioning, boiler operation and power distribution, and become involved with energy conservation programs.

FESA schedules two classes each year with a maximum enrollment of 60 students per course. Applications are now being accepted for the class



I want a bath

That's what this pooch seems to be demanding in Ken Juber's winning Photo of the Week. If you

have a photograph which you think deserves that title, drop it by our newsroom in building 37.

scheduled to begin January 5, 1981. The second class is slated to begin August 1981.

To qualify for the course, soldiers must:

- Agree to serve at least four years from the start of school.
- Have a GT and EL score of 115 or higher.
- Be an E-6 or below.
- Have taken a basic math and science proficiency test. To take the test contact the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-4445.

For more information on the course and how to apply, contact PFC David McHenry, COMPACT at 561-4214 or 4405.

For rent

The Outdoor Recreation Center has a variety of rental items available to help make summertime more enjoyable and those summer trips more comfortable.

Among the equipment rented by Outdoor Rec are metal detectors, rubber rafts, roller skates, water skis and a host of camping accessories.

Outdoor Rec also has two new houses in South Lake Tahoe and a condominium on the North Shore available for use by interested Presidians.

For more information stop by the Outdoor Rec Center in building 92 or call 561-4324/4356.

More adult education classes announced

Registration is currently underway for the next term of **City College of San Francisco**. Classes will begin **Sept. 9** and run through Oct. 23.

Courses being offered this term include:

Principles of Real Estate, a three semester hour course to be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m.

A two semester hour course entitled, **Communication for Supervisors**, will be presented Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Supervision 201 or consent of the instructor is needed for this class.

Conceptual Geometry will meet Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon. The class which is worth two semester hours requires one year or high school algebra or Math II.

Orientation to College, a one semester hour course will be offered on the same schedule as the Geometry class, as will **Personnel Finance**, a two semester hour course.

All classes will be held at the Fort Scott Education Center.

Registration for **San Francisco State**

University classes is also being held. The on-post courses include:

History of California.

Introduction to Contemporary Social Issues.

Psychology of Social and Occupational Development, and

First Year Written Composition.

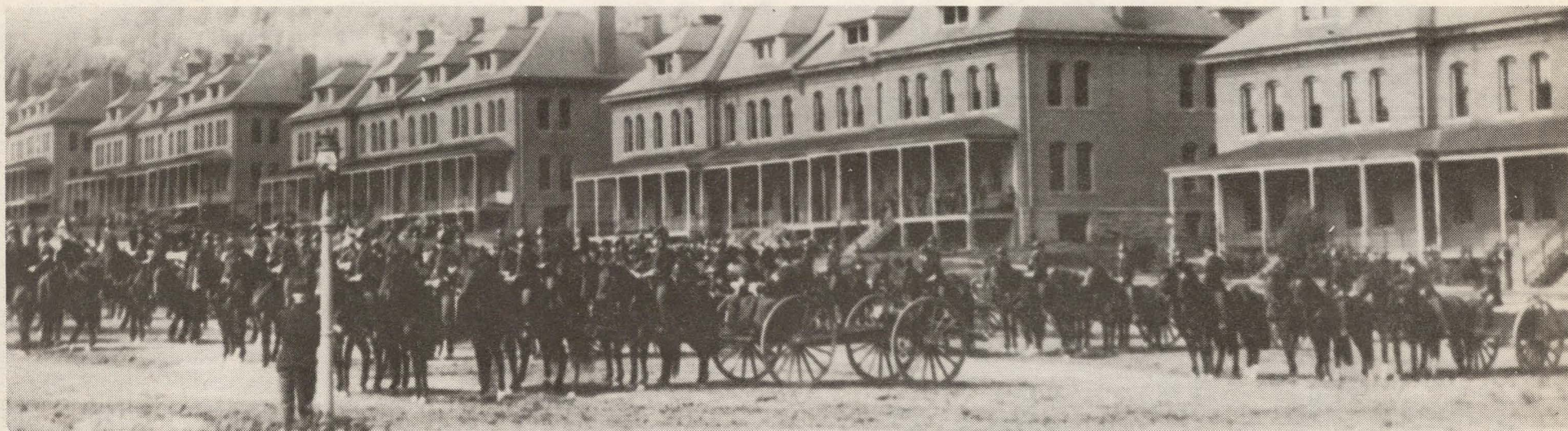
For more information or to register for any of the courses, contact a counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974 or the Letterman Army Medical Center office, 561-4030.

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Soldiers on the move in 1900s

Soldiers form up along Montgomery Street during the early 1900s. The red brick buildings behind them have housed soldiers since they were built

in 1895. With the exception of one building currently housing a LAMC unit the barracks will no longer be occupied by soldiers. Buildings 104 and

105 will soon be turned over to the Federal Emergency Management Assistance Agency and USAG will be moved to Fort Scott.

Move to Fort Scott to begin

by Tom Tiernan

For the first time in nearly a century soldiers will no longer occupy the major portion of the red brick barracks along Montgomery St.

Beginning Aug. 11, HQ Co. USAG soldiers living in those barracks will begin a three phase move to Fort Scott where they will move into buildings 1204, 1205 and part of 1206.

The move is being made to provide permanent administrative space to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, currently located in downtown San Francisco, which hopes to move into the buildings.

Phase one of the move will involve 68 people living in buildings 101 and 105. They will soon reside in building 1204.

Transportation to and from work for these individuals will be provided. Buses will depart building 1204 at 7 a.m. Tuesday through Friday and return from in front of building 105 at 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. Monday mornings the buses will leave for PT at 6:45 and return to post at 8:20 a.m.

The first group of soldiers to move to Fort Scott will eat breakfast in either the 504th MP or 864th Engineers dining facilities. All other meals will be available at Garrison facility.

Later this month or sometime in September, phase two of the move will begin. At this time building 105 will be emptied and its occupants will live on the first floor of building 1206. The orderly, arms and mail rooms will also relocate during this move.

No date has been set for phase III when the soldiers living in building 104 will take over building 1205 which is currently being used as a senior NCO BEQ. At this time the entire unit will be located at Fort Scott.

Breakfast and evening meals will be served at the 504th and 864th dining facilities and coordination is underway for lunch to be available at the Letterman Army Medical Center dining facility.

All PT and company formations will be conducted in front of building 1205 starting at this time.

According to Capt. Robert Arosteguy, commander of HQ Co. USAG, while the move is underway of it will be necessary to have two CQs, one located at Fort Scott and the other at building 104. The CQ will be either an E-5 or E-6.

To accomodate the move members of the 163rd MP Company who formerly lived in building 1204 have moved into buildings 1218 and 1219 with their orderly room relocating in building 1220 and the supply room in 1219.

Arosteguy asks all soldiers involved in the move to try and be patient. "There will be a degree of dissatisfaction in completing this move. It will take understanding and a lot of help by all concerned to make it go as smoothly as possible. Once the move is completed your comments are welcomed to better the situation of all the facilities at Fort Scott. Ideas on how to improve transportation and feeding, however, are of utmost interest at the present time."

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PSF office joins Pentagon

Credit unions to merge

Members of the **Presidio Federal Credit Union** have overwhelming voted to **merge with the Pentagon Federal Credit Union**.

The vote, announced at a special meeting last Friday was 1,165 for the merger and 78 against.

According to Presidio manager, Jim Anderson, the merger was recommended in order to provide better service to its members.

In a letter to the credit union's members, W. H. Prugh, Credit Union president, explained the loan demands upon the Presidio office far exceeded the share deposits on hand, therefore necessitating the tightening of loan criteria.

"The Presidio Federal Credit Union Board of Directors feel that more loan dollars can be made available through a merger with the Pentagon FCU," Prugh stated.

In addition to more loan dollars other advantages of the merger include, **higher dividends, a variety of savings plans, competitive loan rates, less restrictive loan policies and better service.**

Presidio members who transfer to the Pentagon FCU will receive the same protection and benefits available to all members. Included are: \$1,000 life saving insurance coverage, free loan protection insurance up to a maximum of \$10,000 and National Credit Union Association share insured up to the legal maximum of \$100,000.

Those Presidio members who wish to remain members of the Pentagon FCU should obtain an application blank from the Presidio office or complete the one they received in the mail.

No membership fee will be required for those who are members of the Presidio FCU.

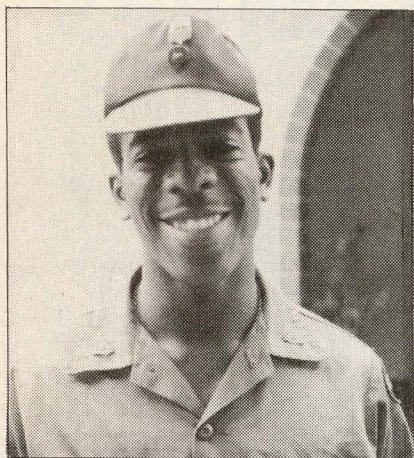
The Pentagon FCU currently has 250,000 members worldwide. In addition to four branches in the Washington, D. C. , area, other offices are located in Okinawa, Guam, Hawaii, Germany, Spain, and the Azores. Representatives can also be found in Hong Kong, the Philippines and Iceland.

Presidio credit union members will be receiving more information about the Pentagon FCU when the exact date of the merger is announced.

Opinion

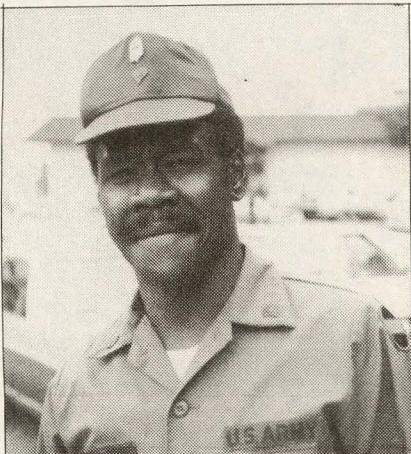
Ramblin' Sam

Did the Monday PT help you on the PT test?

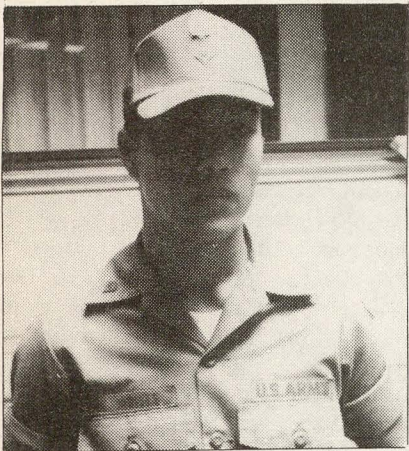


Sp5 Cedric Overman, COMPACT—“No I don’t find it affected my score. To really get in shape I need to work out on a daily basis.”

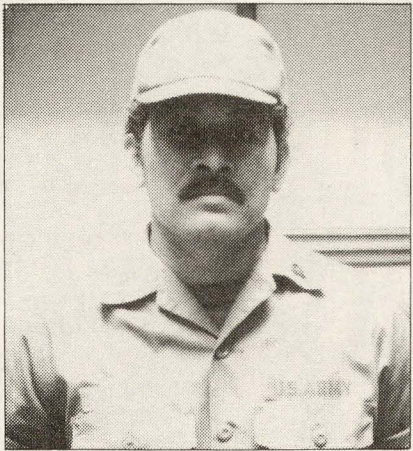
Sp5 Eugene Sparrow, COMPACT—“No, because the amount of PT we do—one day a week—doesn’t help any.”



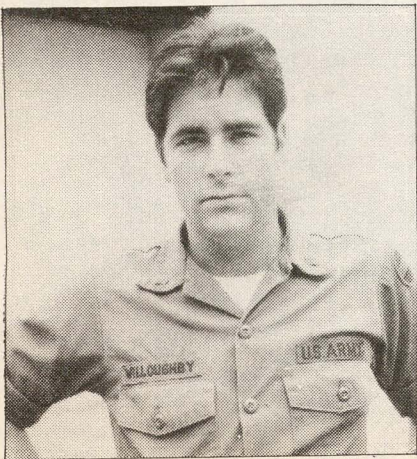
Sp4 Ronnie Moises, Post IG—“It sure did, but they should do it more often like Monday, Wednesday and Friday to get you in shape”



Sp5 Lepe Tei, Headquarters Commandant—“Not really. I’m always working out on my own. The PT should be done three times a week. What good is one mile every Monday?”



Sp4 Michael Willoughby, Photo Lab—“No. We need more of it like two or three times a week.”



We’re trying to meet your needs

Dear Readers,

Last week Ramblin’ Sam asked the question “What change would you like to see in the Star Presidian?”

Although the answers came from only five members of the community, I feel they give us an indication of how you feel about the paper.

I’d like to take this opportunity to answer those comments.

One soldier suggested that we expand the size of the paper. I wish that was possible, but due to the size of the staff and monetary limitations, I can’t foresee that happening in the near future.

Currently we are fortunate to have two people working on the paper. But soon there will be only one, as has been the case during most of my 14 months on the job.

Another suggestion was that we have a regular column that deals with the various neighborhoods and their activities. The suggestor felt this would tailor the paper toward families.

I think what is being requested is a social column. Since I know of no big neighborhood activities and get the impression that most neighborhoods evolve around the idea of live and let live with little intermingling, I don’t think we could find many.

We chose to do it differently. The Star Presidian is a command information tool designed to help the commander get information to soldiers and DA civilians about the things that affect their lives.

Therefore, it is our aim to provide as much information on promotions, education opportunities and military benefits as possible all of which relate to families.

“More information on service clubs that offer tours in the local area,” was recommended by one reader. I think that we are already on the right track with our Time to Spare column which includes information from the Presidio Recreation center and the USO as well as news of concerts and other activities in the Bay Area.

A young soldier requested that we print more human interest stories that highlight someone’s job or people.

We are trying to print more of those type articles when we can.

“More negative comments,” is what one soldier asked for. He said, “he saw a lot of positive comments but that in order to make changes we needed to listen to the negative side, especially with regard to community life around here.”

We have never backed off from printing good or bad news or negative comments from readers.

It is not the job of the Star Presidian to change things. We can, however, help bring about change by printing stories and letters from individuals who find something wrong. In most cases we will try to get answers to those letters.

We on the Star Presidian are here to meet the needs of the entire community. We can only do so if we hear from you.

If you know of a story which should appear in the Star Presidian, give us a call before it happens.

If you think something is wrong and should be changed, write us a letter.

If you have anything good or bad to say about the Star Presidian, call us at 561-3908 and we’ll listen.

The Editor

I like your article

Dear Col. Hall,

I read with great interest your article in the June 6th edition of the Star Presidian on energy waste. “Soldiers Pay for Energy Waste” is a factual and vivid illustration of the energy problem we in the Army face throughout our housing inventory.

My hat is off to the Star Presidian and I would ask that whenever possible similar clear cut articles be published in the future.

Col. Ernest W. Boyle
Chief, Army Housing Management
Directorate of Military Programs
Corps of Engineers

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Briefly

No Marine fatigues

Soldiers desiring to wear the latest in Army fashion should not rush out to purchase the Marine camouflage fatigues.

According to Presidio assistant adjutant, Capt. Laurianne Dubia, the Marine fatigues are different in material, design, camouflage pattern and weight than the new, temperate zone fatigues recently approved for the Army.

The Marine fatigues are not authorized for wear by soldiers.

Philly facility closed

Presidio soldiers planning on shipping their privately owned vehicles from the Philadelphia outpost will have to choose either the Bayonne, N. J. or Baltimore outposts.

According to Military Traffic Management Command officials, the processing of POVs at the Philadelphia outpost will stop Aug. 12 due to a contract termination.

No date has been set for resumption of the service.

Japan travellers

Presidio soldiers on orders for Japan should be aware of a change in travel to that country.

Some soldiers are now being routed through the Narita Airport (Tokyo International).

Army representatives will meet permanent change of station travelers at Narita, including both members and their families. Transportation will be provided to Camp Zama.

Soldiers going to TDY to Camp Zama should take the airport limo-bus from Narita to the Yokohama City Air Terminal. Army vehicles will meet and transport TDY travelers to Camp Zama. The fare for the airport limo-bus runs about 2,600 yen or \$12 or adults; half fare for children under 12.

To help travelers, direct line military telephones to Camp Zama are located at both the Northwest and Pan American airline arrival information counters at Narita. Information pamphlets giving directions on how to get to Tokyo City Air Terminal, Yokohama City Air Terminal and the Sanno Honel are also available at these counters.

Complete forms

Presidio soldiers who live off post and have received a form asking them how much they pay in rent and utilities should complete them as quickly as possible.

The information is being sought by DoD to help in determining the new variable housing allowance proposed in the "Nunn-Warner" amendment.



A hot load

Members of Co. D, 864th Engineers recently became firemen to help put out a trash fire which started in a garbage truck. The driver dumped his load near the 864th's dining facility. The soldiers,

Sp4s Eddie Copeland and Richard Asley and SSgt. Toney Perry volunteer to help battle the blaze while waiting for the Presidio Fire Department to arrive. (Photo by Steve Spigelman, 864th)

Survey to help determine needs

School buses set to roll

Presidio quarters residents will soon be receiving a form to be completed concerning school bus transportation to private schools in the San Francisco area.

According to Mr. Bruce Terpstra, chief of the transportation branch, parents should complete the form and return it to the Army Community Service's schools branch as soon as possible.

"Most schools start Sept. 2, but some start earlier," Terpstra explains. "Therefore, it is important that we receive these forms as early as possible so we can insure we have enough buses available to get the children to school on time."

Last year only 30 of the forms were returned out of 1500 sent out causing a major problem when there were more school children than there was room on the buses.

Terpstra states that the motor pool is required to have an approved request before sending out any vehicles so parents must request use of the bus service for their children.

Children who attend San Francisco city schools, in grades one through five are provided transportation by the city. And the Army transportation is for those children attending private schools.

Bus schedules are being printed and should be available at the ACS school section or the motor pool Aug. 15. The exact date for the beginning of the service will be announced at a later date.

Besides helping insure children a place on the school bus, the forms will be used by ACS to update their dependent status cards.

Monday PT program pays off

So you sweated through those Monday morning PT sessions wondering what is the point to it all.

According to Capt. David Murdock, the point to all that PT was amply demonstrated during the recent staff specialist PT test.

The chief of the training division for the Directorate of Plans, Training and Security, Murdock notes that the post average score was 385 points based on initial results of the tests.

While saying that there is no way of comparing that Army-wide, Murdock suggests that since only 300 points are needed for a passing score on the test, a 385 average is "pretty good."

"Monday morning PT," he says, "definitely paid off. There is no doubt about it."

As further evidence of that he says that there were far more failures on the test last year.

According to Murdock's figures nearly 300 post soldiers took the test which measures a soldier's physical strength in a variety of events. The test is scored on a 500-point maximum scale and its standards are those prescribed for personnel staff or headquarters type jobs.

Murdock says that the next PT test will be a make-up test on Sept. 24 for those soldiers unable to take the recent one because of leaves or TDY assignments.

Baker to Baker race to help SF USO

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Finance giving free samples

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Ever head of a finance office that passes out free samples? That's exactly what the 368th Finance Section has been doing during their active training at the Presidio.

The 368th, a Wichita, Kan., based reserve unit, is operating the model finance office at Crissy Field which handles nearly 2,000 finance records for active duty soldiers stationed here.

The "free samples" that the 368th has been handing out come in the form of pennies glued to their unit "business cards."

According to Maj. Waldo Gray, the pennies idea is one of several recruiting tools he has come up with to spur interest in the reserves and in joining his unit.

Gray explains that the reserves operate on a referral system. The unit must go out into their civilian area and attract a number of individuals interested in enlisting in the reserves and then refer these persons to the local recruiter.

Other referral stimulating ideas include a CQ contest Gary started. If members of the 368th could collect more referrals than either Gray or his company commander, 1st Lt. Rex Schott, the pair of officers would pull CQ during the stay at the Presidio.

According to Gray, the number of referrals suddenly jumped from 42 last year to 163 this year. Of those new referrals, 158 came after the CQ contest was announced. Gray and Schott found themselves pulling weekend duty as CQ.

Gray says his unit's objective in coming to the Presidio include "providing the best possible finance service to our customers and also getting the best possible training for the unit."



Somebody around here can't add

Sp5s Diane Brown (l.) and Wilma Guest (c.) go over a finance problem with SFC Antonio Perez at

the model finance office. All three are on active training with the 368th Finance Section.

"We already know that we have accomplished the second part of that," he says.

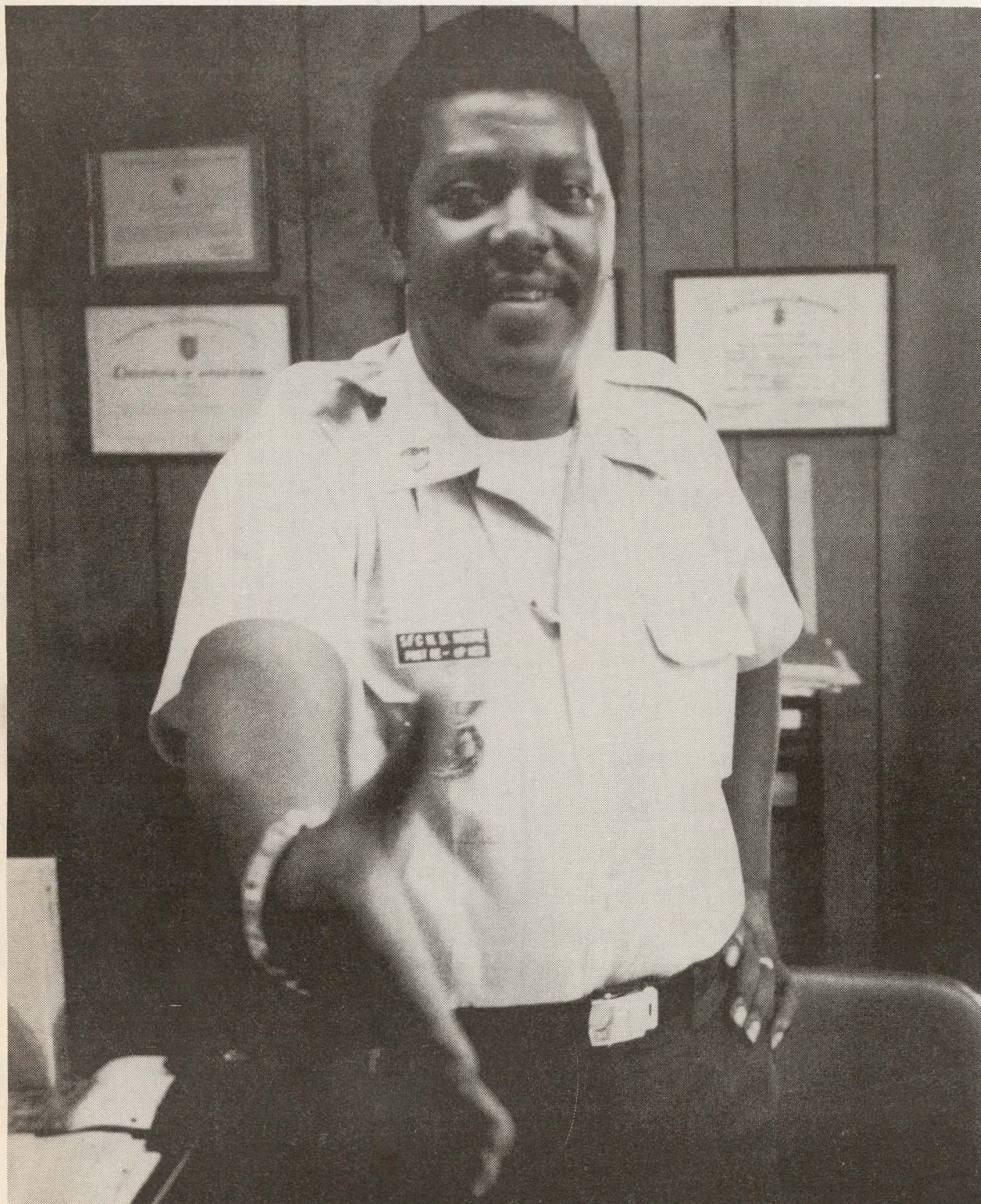
Gray and his sergeant major, Mark Wray, say that the training set up at the Presidio—having reserve units man finance offices by themselves—is far superior to normal training where reservists are assigned duties side by side with their active duty counterparts.

"We're in complete control of what we're doing here," he says. "It puts the responsibility on myself and my section chiefs to get the job done."

"A lot of money was spent bringing us out here," he continues, "we are making sure that it was worth it."

The 368th, which arrived July 27, will head back to Kansas tomorrow.

Moore, helping people is his favorite job



Come on in, lets make a deal

SFC Nilger Moore offers soldiers seeking reenlistment information a friendly handshake and some

straight talk. Interested soldiers should call 561-3108. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

by Tom Tiernan

When most soldiers here the words "reenlistment NCO" they automatically see some shady character ready to twist their arms and make them sign on the dotted line.

But when they walked into the Presidio reenlistment office, they'll find a friendly handshake and some straight talk waiting for them.

"I'm not going to lie to anyone," says SFC Nilger Moore, post enlistment NCO. "I am here to see that the Army retains **quality** soldiers and that those **soldiers** who decide to reenlist **get what they want**."

"I'm not going to reenlist somebody just to reach my goal for the month. If the soldier is reenlisting for the wrong reason, I'm going to tell him so," Moore continued.

"Numbers are nice but they are second to quality reenlistments, where good soldiers reenlist and get what they want."

A Detroit native, Moore only recently joined the reenlistment force. "I spend 19 years not being fully aware of all the options open to me. I spent that time just being a soldier doing the best job I could. I just kept reenlisting."

"I saw too many people who had no idea of the options afforded them. No one had counseled them as far as their career was concerned. **I felt it was a crime, an injustice.**"

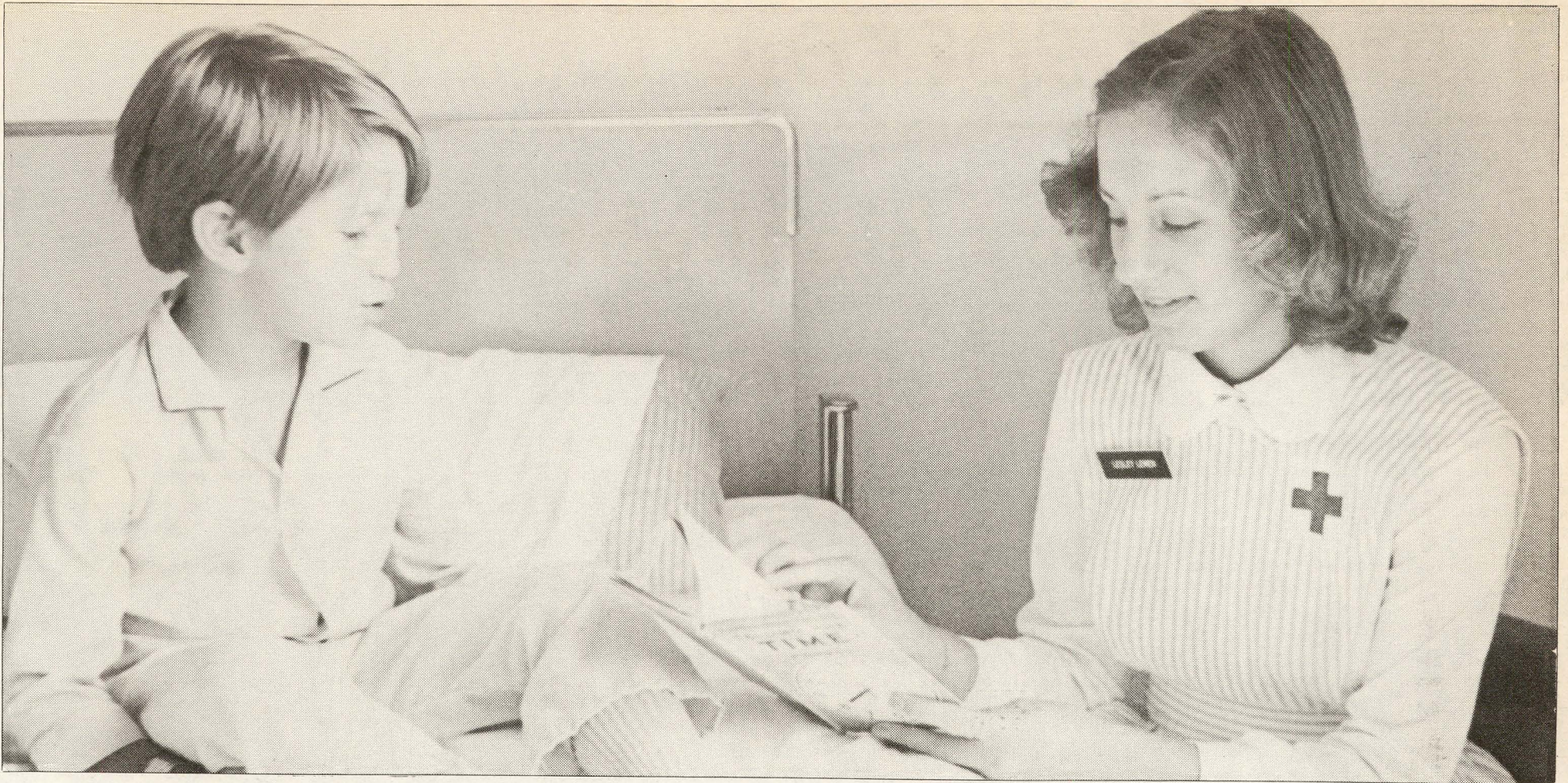
So Moore set out to help young soldiers understand the options available to them by becoming a reenlistment NCO.

"I enjoy the satisfaction," Moore points out. "It is the first time I can see total satisfaction. But it can be a frustrating job too. You can either get a person what they want or you can't help them at all."

Moore tries to talk with each soldier about reenlistment. "Without interviewing and counseling, you have no program. You've got to stay in touch with the soldier and show him you care."

For Moore, staying in touch goes beyond the soldier's decision to reenlist or to get out. He is always ready to help soldiers with any type of problem they have.

"Helping people is what this business is all about. If you aren't willing to do more than just talk reenlistment, then you show the soldier that you aren't really concerned about him, just your numbers," Moore concludes.

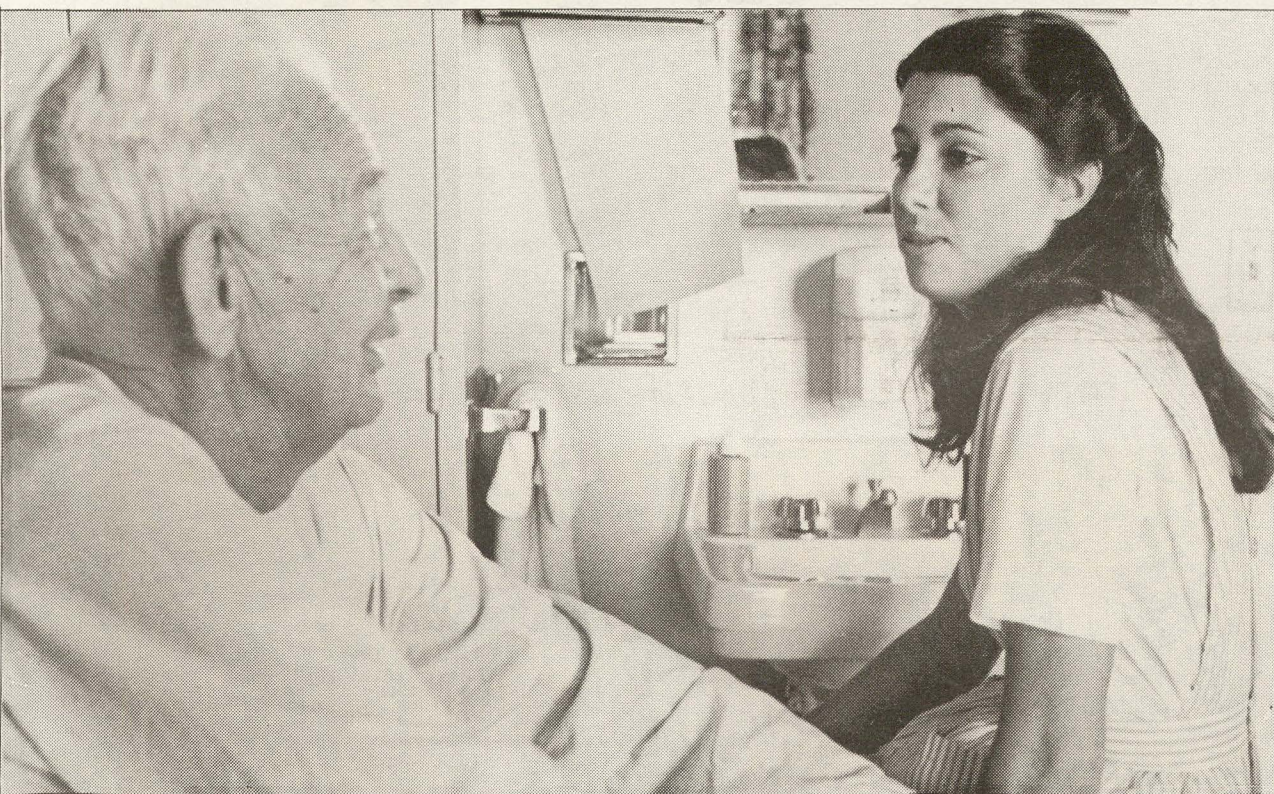


Fairy tales do come true

Red Cross youth volunteer Lesley Lewen reads a story to 7-year-old John D. Brandalick on LAMC's

pediatric ward. Miss Lewen says that her participation in the summer volunteer program has

helped her to decide whether or not to pursue a career in nursing.



A friendly face brightens up the day

Debbie Courtenay gives Ed Frink's spirits a lift while visiting him at his bedside. Miss Courtenay

says that knowing she can help someone is the most satisfying part of her job.

Service is sweet for candystripers

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

When summer comes and school lets out, many youths have a hard time deciding what to do with their free time.

Not so for 30 youths who are participating in the Red Cross Youth Volunteer program at Letterman Army Medical Center this summer.

According to program coordinator Cheryl Sprinkle, the teenagers have been working at LAMC since June 27 and will continue through Aug. 29.

Normal duties for the volunteers, she says, vary from making beds, working in hospital labs, acting as receptionist, and visiting patients.

Mrs. Sprinke says that the youths are allowed to work no more than eight hours a week at the hospital and that those hours are normally split into two half-day shifts.

She notes that for the first time handicapped youths have been involved in the program this year. She says that they are working in the program in an effort to "mainstream into a natural working environment." Mrs. Sprinkle claims that the reception to the youths by patients and staff has been great.

Other volunteers include several young men from St. Ignatius, a Jesuit college preparatory which requires its students to do 100 hours of charitable work before graduating.

A medical explorers post at the hospital also provided several "recruits" for the program, says Mrs. Sprinkle.

She says that the youths, who range in age from 15 to 18, have been matched to do job assignments depending on their interests.

For 16-year-old Lei Chan that means working in the hospital lab. She hopes one day to become a microbiologist.

Lesley Lewen, also 16, says that the volunteer work she does on the pediatrics ward has helped her decide if she wants to pursue a career in nursing.

She also says that the program makes her feel good about helping others.

Debbie Courtenay, 17, is a repeat in the program. She worked at LAMC two summers ago as a volunteer and is now visiting patients in the ward.

To her, "Being involved with the patients is the most satisfying part of the job. It's knowing that you can help and do some good."



A million little slips

Lei Chan sorts through test results in the LAMC lab she works in as a volunteer. Miss Chan hopes

to become a microbiologist. According to Cheryl Sprinkle, youths jobs matched their

Time to spare

Festival, fairs highlight week

Tomorrow from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. there will be a **Samoan Flag Day** celebration in Crocker-Amazon Park on Moscow St. near Geneva Ave.

The **Pacific States Crafts Fair** opens tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the **Fort Mason Center**. The fair features the works of 325 selected craftsmen from throughout the Pacific states. Fairgoers can catch shuttle buses at Crissy Field. The fair continues at Fort Mason Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday, Golden Gate Park will be the site for a **Scottish celebration** from 2 to 3 p.m. A program by the **Prince Charles Pipe Band** highlights the show at the California Academy of Sciences.

Dolls, toys and miniatures will be on display Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the **Shriners Temple** on 19th Ave. and Sloat Blvd.

The **Khanayagi Kyoko Kai Dancers** will perform at the **Japan Center** beginning at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The show will be at the center's Peace Plaza at Post and Buchanan streets.

Saturday and Sunday is the **Hop Jok Fair** in the **Chinese Cultural Center** in the Holiday Inn at 750 Kearny Street. The fair includes cultural exhibits, performances, demonstrations and games and run both days from noon to 6 p.m.

The **Napa Town and Country Fair** continues today through Sunday at the Napa Fairgrounds from noon to 10 p.m. The fair features a carnival, exhibits, petting farm, roller skating, a destruction derby and entertainment highlighted by performances by **Tammy Wynette** tomorrow at 3

and 7 p.m. Call (707) 224-7951 for more information.

Top racers from throughout the country will converge on **Fremont Raceway** this weekend for the National Motor Racing Association's **Golden State Nationals**. The track opens at 9 a.m. Saturday for inspections, time trials and national record runs. Racing gets underway Sunday with competitions in nine classes. Eliminations begin at 9:30 a.m. with the championship finals starting at 2 p.m. Call 651-2545 for more information.

The Artist's Guild of San Francisco is sponsoring an **art show in Golden Gate Park** Saturday and Sunday. The artists will exhibit their works just inside the park on Lincoln Way near 19th Ave.

Sunday, the **San Francisco Ballet** company will perform in **Sigmund Stern Grove** as the Midsummer Music Festival continues. The free performances begin at 2 p.m.

The **Renaissance Pleasure Faire** continues this weekend in Novato. The Faire runs on weekends through Sept. 7. The Presidio Recreation Center has **discount tickets** available for the Faire. Call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily for more information.

The **Star Trek Experience** comes to the **Concord Pavillion** on Aug. 17 at 8 p.m. Gene Roddenberry, creator of the show, hosts the program featuring film clips, bloopers, science fiction and a costume contest. General admission tickets are \$5.50 with reserved seats going to \$7.50 and \$8.50. Tickets are on sale at Ticketron and BASS outlets.



Historical trail

Six miles and three hours of history, great views of Presidio

by Tom Tiernan

How do you combine energy conservation, exercise and entertainment without staying at home? You take a hike around Presidio's Historic Trail.

Beginning at the old Military Police headquarters, building 559, which now houses Creations Unlimited and the Letterman Army Medical Center's Equal Opportunity Office, you walk past the hospital down to the Lombard Gate and the Spanish American War campgrounds.

Coming back up Lombard St. at Ruger Avenue and Gardner Road you'll find an embedded square metal marker inscribed "Cars Stop Here", the last marker from an old trolley line.

Turning left on to Presidio Blvd. you can take a stroll through the eucalyptus trees near the red brick quarters. The area is known as Lovers Lane, a favorite spot for a Sunday afternoon stroll by soldiers and their ladies.

Continuing up Presidio Blvd. you'll take in El Polin Springs, Inspiration Point, Arguello Blvd., Mountain Lake and the Presidio Golf Course.

As you stroll Washington Blvd., there's Batteries McKinnon and Stotsenberg. Twelve inch mortar once located here provided high angle fire for the protection of the Golden Gate and adjacent waters during the period from 1898 to 1946.

Further down Washington you'll pass the West Coast Memorial honoring the 412 servicemen who lost their lives in American coastal waters of the Pacific during World War II.

Walking down Lincoln Blvd. and onto Merchant Road you'll see the old coast artillery gun enplacements and then head under the Golden Gate Bridge Plaza for a view of Battery East.

Down Battery East Road you'll soon come to historic Fort Point.

Walking up Crissy Field Ave. you can stop and view the pet cemetery and the old horse stables.

Soon you'll be back on Lincoln Blvd. passing the San Francisco National Cemetery and the NCO Enlisted Club.

As you head up Taylor Ave. there's Pershing Square where the home of Gen. John J. Pershing once stood and where his wife and two daughters died during a fire. It is also the site of the original Presidio.

At the Officer's Club you can view a portion of



Things that go bang

Children climb on a cannon located outside the Presidio Army Museum, one of the many stops

the old adobe brick wall from the original Presidio built in 1776. The wall is located in the Moraga room.

Heading down Funston Ave. you can see the old homes built in 1870 and which survived the 1906 earthquake.

A sure stop along your route is the Presidio Army museum. The facility offers displays on not only the history of the Army but also San Francisco.

Your tour concludes at the post cafeteria after

along Presidio's historic trail. The six mile course takes about three hours to walk.

passing the Presidio of San Francisco headquarters building which once served as a school.

The trail covers six miles and takes about three hours to walk.

Be sure to take along your camera as the trail offers many opportunities to get excellent pictures of the post and San Francisco Bay.

Maps of the trail are available during duty hours at the Presidio Public Affairs' Community Relations office located on the second floor of building 37.

Sports

Shorts

Football to kick-off

The 1980 Intramural flag football competition will begin Sept. 8.

A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at 1:30 p.m., Sept. 4 in post gym No. 1.

Units entering a team must have a team representative at this meeting.

For further information, contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon, at 561-5032.

Soccer season coming

The 1980 intramural soccer competition will get underway Sept. 2.

A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at 1:30 p.m., Aug. 28 at the Fort Scott Athletic Field.

Units entering a team must have a team representative at this meeting. For further information, contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon, at 561-5032.

Tourney set

The 1980 Presidio racquetball championships for active duty military will be conducted Sept. 5-7 at the main post gym.

There will be three divisions consisting of Seniors (36 years and over), Open (any age), and Women's (any age) with the top two finishers in each division eligible to represent the Presidio in the FORSCOM championships to be held at Fort Hood, Tex., Oct. 6-10.

Entry deadline for sign-ups is close of business Sept. 2.

For further information contact SFC Funes, at 561-5032.

Champion top Lakers

The Champions proved what they have been telling everyone throughout the summer, that they are the number one team, by soundly defeating the Lakers 81-70.

The Champions never deviated from their style of play which featured a hussling defense, a fast breaking offense and a keen eye for the basket. The record during the regular season was 12-1.

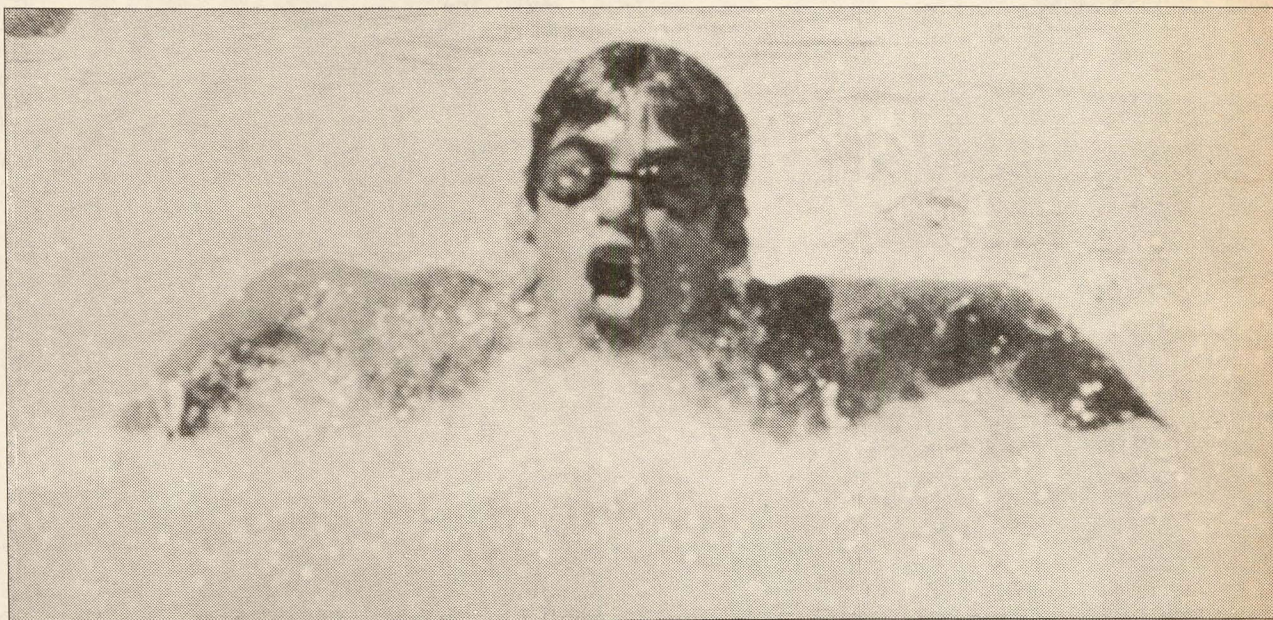
During the game the Champions had five players in double figures while the Lakers had two.

Clinic set

The Central YMCA is conducting fitness testing clinics. The clinics are designed to show what your basic fitness level is and what are the proper steps to set up a fitness program.

The clinics are on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

For further information, contact Kevin Currin at 885-0460.



Victory stroke

Victor Castillo strokes his way to a tenth place finish in the 100-yard butterfly during the North Bay Aquatic League summer championships.

Castillo joined his teammates in bringing home 43 ribbons from the meet held last weekend at Indian Valley College in Novato. (Photo by Ernie Siefert)

Aquarians win big

Members of the Aquarius Swim Club combined their efforts to bring back 43 ribbons from the North Bay Aquatic League summer championships held last weekend at Indian Valley College in Novato.

Mark Russo, competing in the 11 and 12-year old class, led the team with a second place in the 100-yard individual medley, third place finishes in the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle and flystroke and a fifth in the 100-yard backstroke.

Two girls' relay teams also placed in the competition. **Lisa Bell**, **Wendy Siefert**, **Becky Askew** and **Lisa Langeliers** took seventh place in the 200-yard medley and sixth place in the 200-yard freestyle relays in the 9-10 age bracket.

The team of **Melva George**, **Lisa Guinn**, **Blanca Castillo** and **Lena Neely** placed fifth in the 200-yard freestyle event for the girls' 13-14 age bracket.

Other winners include:

8-years-old and under

Wendy Siefert, sixth, 50-yard freestyle, eighth, 25-yard backstroke and breaststroke, ninth, 25-yard fly and 100-yard individual medley.

Cheryl Lockett, twelfth, 25-yard fly.

9-10 year old

Nick Russo, fifth, 50-yard fly, tenth, 100-yard individual medley, twelfth, 50-yard backstroke and 100-yard freestyle, thirteenth, 50-yard freestyle.

11-12 years old

Polly Slisz, third, 50-yard freestyle, fourth, 100-yard freestyle and backstroke, fifth, 100-yard fly and individual medley, eleventh, 100-yard breaststroke.

Bill Rainaldo, fourteenth, 100-yard backstroke.

LeAnn Langeliers, fourteenth, 50-yard freestyle.

13-14 year olds

Blanca Castillo, fourth, 100-yard fly, eighth, 200-yard individual medley, thirteenth, 100-yard breaststroke, fourteenth, 100-yard backstroke.

Melva George, ninth, 100-yard breaststroke.

Lisa Guinn, twelfth, 100-yard fly.

15-18 years old

Victor Castillo, tenth, 100-yard fly, thirteenth, 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke, fourteenth, 100-yard freestyle, sixteenth, 100-yard backstroke.

Paul Haas, ninth, 100-yard breaststroke.

USAG continues to roll in softball action

The Presidio's first annual "All Comer's" softball tournament, featuring the top 16 teams that participated in the Presidio intramural program reached the quarter-finals with the following results.

Sparked by power slugger **Wilbert Darby** who had two home runs, the post champions, USAG, overpowered the "Race Horses of the 864th," by a score of 9-5.

USAG scored first on **Darby's** single in the first inning, knocking in leadoff batter **Valentin Deleon**, who got on base by hitting a double.

The "Race Horses" bounced back in their half of the inning, scoring two runs on a pair of singles and a double by **Tony Holley** to go ahead 2-1.

In the third inning the powerful bats of USAG, bombed pitcher **Leo Pardo**, for four hits and three runs including homeruns by **Darby** and **Glen Sparrow**, to take a momentary 4-2 lead.

The Engineers retaliated on a single by **Jim Fabretti**, and a booming homerun by **Mike Maupin** to even the score at 4-4.

USAG duplicated the efforts of the 864th in their half of the fourth inning, on a single by **Glenn Turner** and **Darby's** second homer of the game to lead 6 to 4.

In the sixth inning, the racehorses narrowed the gap 6 to 5 on a USAG error and a single by **Tim South**.

In the top of the seventh inning, with the racehorses breathing down their necks, USAG, batsmen once again proved they're the "best of the lot" by scoring three runs on a **Darby** walk and three straight singles for a 9 to 5 victory and to advance to the semi-finals against LAMC Doctors, a team that scored 39 runs against LAMC No. 1 in their quarter finals game.

Other teams advancing to the semi-finals included "the fly boys" from Mill Valley, 666th Radar, as they defeated the "Attorneys" 6 to 2, and the Coast Guard team from Yerba Buena Island, a team that ran over "league champions," LAMC No. 2, 9 to 5.

Four teams are battling to survive in the double elimination tournament after being knocked into the loser's bracket include USACC, 864th Engineers, LAIR and the Attorneys.

Presidio News Notes

Now hiring

The Presidio Civil Personnel Office continues to seek persons qualified for any of the following temporary and full-time positions:

Procurement clerk, supply clerks, transportation clerks, military personnel clerks, clerk-typist and clerk stenographer.

Salaries for the jobs range from \$8,128 to \$11,993.

For more information contact either Ms. Ann Glynn or Ms. Emma Devora at 561-5752.

New hours for paper

The Star Presidian readers are reminded that beginning this week the newspaper will appear on Thursdays.

This change means new deadlines for the submission of items.

Stories requiring a reporter should be received by noon on Friday the week prior.

Items for "Briefly" or "News Notes" should arrive typed and double spaced by noon on Monday of the week of publication.

Photo of the Week entries must arrive by close of business on Monday.

Items which arrive after these deadlines will be considered on a space available basis only.

The Star Presidian accepts no advertisements.

Course sign up set

Registration is currently underway for both the City College of San Francisco and San Francisco State University on-post courses.

The City College will be offering:

Principles of Real Estate

Communication for Supervisors

Conceptual Geometry

Orientation to College

Personnel Finance

San Francisco State will offer:

History of California

Introduction to Contemporary Social Issues

Psychology of Social and Occupational Development

First Year Written Composition

For more information contact the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-2974 or the LAMC office at 561-4030.

Registration underway

Registration for new students in the San Francisco Unified School District begins on Aug. 18. Presidio dependent children are assigned to schools based on their quarters address. Parents who have not received booklets indicating to



Heavenly lights

Clouds have an eerie effect upon San Francisco Bay. This picture by Steve Spigelman of the 864th Engineers earns him Photo of the Week honors and a place in the quarterly competition. The Star

which school their child is assigned are urged to contact the Army Community Service at 561-5057/5156.

ACS officials also note that children in grades kindergarten through fifth are bussed by the city school district, while higher grades must rely on Muni transportation.

The officials ask that parents whose children are enrolled in St. Monica's Star of the Sea, Zion Lutheran, Kittredge, Katherine Burke, Sherman, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Bridgids, Convent of the Sacred Heart, Stuart Hall or Hamlin schools contact the ACS for information on military bus transportation to the schools.

Condos for rent

The Outdoor Recreation Center has a variety of rental items available to help make summertime more enjoyable and those summer trips more comfortable.

Among the equipment rented by Outdoor Rec are metal detectors, rubber rafts, roller skates, water skis and a host of camping accessories.

For more information stop by the Outdoor Rec Center in building 92 or call 561-4324/4356.

Presidian is looking for photos to fill this spot. If you have a good black and white photo you'd like to enter, bring it by our newsroom in building 37. All weekly winners are held over.

Tickets available

The Rec Center has a limited number of discount tickets to the China Exhibition at Fort Mason. The price is \$4 and the tickets are good for the Sept. 19 showing between 6 and 9 p.m.

San Francisco Diners' Out Club booklets are also still available at the center. The booklets allow two to eat for the price of one. The booklets cost \$16.

Music sign ups

The registration dates for the fall semester for the San Francisco Conservatory of Music are Sept. 8-12; 15-19; and 22-26. No registration can be processed prior to Sept. 8.

The deadline for completing registration, including payment of tuition and fees is Sept. 26. Lessons begin the week of Sept. 8.

Registration dates for the spring semester are Jan. 12-16; 19-23; 26-30. No registration can be processed prior to Jan. 12.

For more information, contact a counselor at the Ft. Scott Education Center, 561-2974/4445.

New PX catalog now available

A new 1981 Exchange catalog is now available at the Presidio Main Exchange or Four Seasons store, according to Mrs. Soundra Bourne, area exchange manager.

Shoppers using the catalog will note an important change, says Bourne. Both the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) and the Navy Resale and Services Support Office (NAVRESSO) have combined their efforts to produce one catalog.

"All popular items for all branches of the service will be available in the new catalog," she says.

AAFES will act as the operating and management agency for the worldwide catalog. However, the other services are expected to be active in selecting the stock assortment.

Last year, AAFES had \$33 million worth of catalog program business. The Navy sales were \$15 million for the same period. Projected sales for the first year of combined operations are \$55 million, says Mrs. Bourne.

The new catalog will offer more items than

either of its predecessors. Added for the first time are articles of military uniform and accessories for both men and women of all the services except the Coast Guard. Items of interest to only one service will also be carried. One example is the distinctive embroidered caps and patches for the Navy.

As in the past, the catalog will be issued in two editions, CONUS and overseas. This is necessary because of congressional restrictions prohibiting the sale of certain items in the United States. CONUS customers will receive their merchandise from AAFES warehouse facilities in Atlanta, Ga., or from one of the 40 U.S. manufacturers who ship direct. Due to the increased stock assortment allowed overseas, patrons there may get their orders from warehouses in Thailand, Korea, Japan, the Philippines, England or Germany in addition to the CONUS sources.

Plans call for 180,000 copies of the CONUS edition to be available for the first time at all CONUS Navy Exchanges as well as Coast Guard,

Marine Corps and Army and Air Force Exchanges.

Presidio customers may take advantage of a sign-out program at the Main Exchange and Four Seasons stores to take a copy home for five days.

Earnings from the catalog program will be distributed on an origin-of sales basis among AAFES, NAVRESSO and the Marine Corps Exchange Service. The sales amount of each order will be credited to the military branch to which the patron belongs.

Like other exchange earnings, those from the catalog program will be used to support morale and recreational activities on military installations around the globe. Each service will distribute the proceeds according to their own procedures.

Combining the AAFES and Navy catalog programs into a joint operation is intended to reduce costs in the areas of personnel, catalog production, accounting, data processing, warehousing, transportation and procurement. Estimated savings from the merger approach is \$1 million a year, according to figures prepared by the Comptroller General.

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Traffic stop ends in drug bust

by Jim Edwards

A large drug bust resulted when a driver failed to obey a stop sign last Saturday night.

According to Military Police officials, Sp4s Scott Conn, and Chris Carter were on routine patrol Saturday night when a car ran a stop sign at the corner of Lincoln Boulevard and Letterman Drive shortly after 9 p.m.

When the MPs attempted to stop the vehicle, it sped off. After a short, high speed chase, the car struck the curb near a building 559 housing "Creations Unlimited."

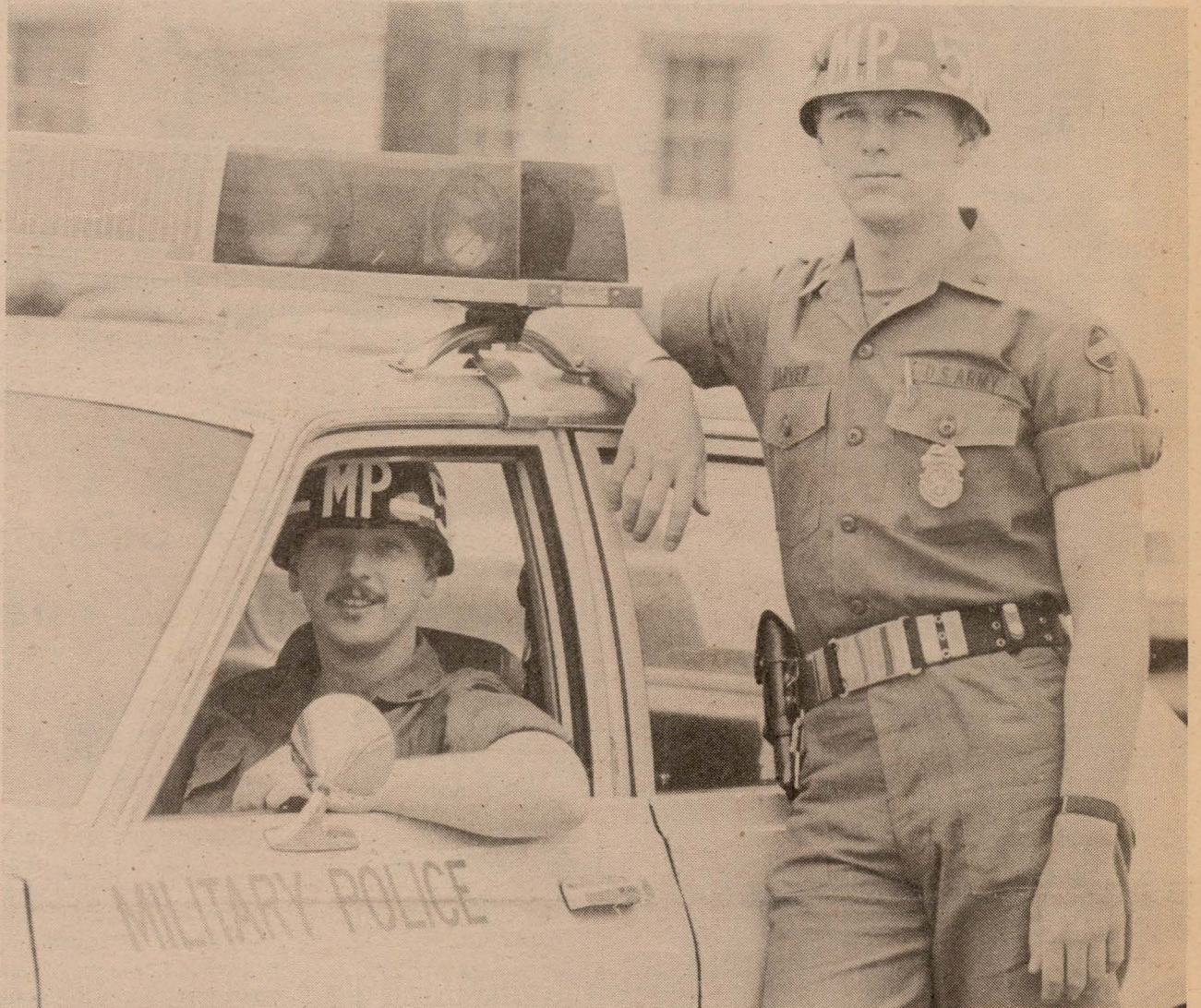
Following the accident, two male suspects ran from the car in different directions, but were apprehended by Carter and Conn.

As the patrolmen were checking the accident scene, they noted two bags of pills in the car. Further checking revealed several more bags of pills, a pill making machine, a list of stolen weapons, and various drug paraphernalia.

The military police impounded and turned over to the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency an undetermined amount of suspected LSD powder, about 15,000 suspected LSD pills and a packet of suspected heroin. The street value of the drugs is estimated to be about \$100,000. However, an official at FDEA estimated the value could go as high as \$500,000.

The two civilian suspects, Milton M. Howell of Los Angeles, and Stephen C. Morelli, whose address was not listed, were transported to San Francisco County jail where they were charged with possession of a controlled substance and conspiracy to distribute a controlled substance.

Additionally, the driver, Howell, was charged with resisting arrest, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and allowing an open container of an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area. He was also cited for failure to stop for a posted stop sign, an offense which normally carries a \$15 fine.



Presidio heroes

Sp4s Scott Conn seated and Chris Carter are credited with turning a routine traffic offense into a swift trip to the county jail for a pair of civilian

drug peddlers. Conn and Carter arrested the pair and seized drugs and paraphernalia worth \$500,000 after they ran a stop sign near LAMC.

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Increased sales at PXs worldwide will add \$5 million to welfare and recreation funds. And the Presidio PX faces remodeling.

Some mussels could kill you

Got your heart set on a nice plate of fresh California clams and oysters? If so think again.

The annual quarantine of California mussels is currently in effect. And if you eat any clams or oysters caught along the California coast you could be placing your life in danger.

According to Dr. (Col.) Richard D. Welch of the Letterman Army Medical Center's Preventive Medicine Activity, the quarantine which runs through Oct. 31, is designed to protect the public from a poison usually found in mussels during the summer and early fall months.

The poison in mussels and clams is concentrated in the digestive gland. Eating the toxin-containing mussels leads to acute disturbance of the central nervous system.

Symptoms can begin in a few minutes to a few

hours after eating the contaminated mussels. Early signs of possible poisoning include a tingling and numbness of the lips, tongue, and fingertips, followed by disturbed balance, lack of muscle coordination, slurred speech and difficulty in swallowing.

In severe poisoning cases complete muscular paralysis and death by choking or suffocation can occur if breathing is not maintained by artificial means. There is no known antidote for the poison.

To date there has been one death and several cases of illnesses reported due to eating contaminated mussels.

Mussels, clams and oysters imported from outside California are considered safe to eat.

So if you're planning a feast of California clams or oysters, think again, your life may be at stake.

Presidio soldier hit by car

by Jon Chelgren

A member of the 504th Military Police Battalion is in intensive care at San Francisco General Hospital as a result of injuries she received in a weekend traffic accident.

Sgt. Donna Farmer, 31, suffered a broken pelvis and two fractures of the neck when she was struck by a car on her bicycle Sunday afternoon.

According to Capt. Gary Woods, spokesman for the 504th, Farmer was riding her bicycle along Ocean Blvd. near the Cliff House at 2 p.m. Sun-

day when an automobile struck her head on.

Woods said authorities are still trying to determine if the car crossed the center stripe and additional details surrounding the accident. The case remains under investigation by San Francisco police.

Farmer's condition remains critical. As soon as she is stable, she will be moved to Letterman Army Medical Center, according to Woods.

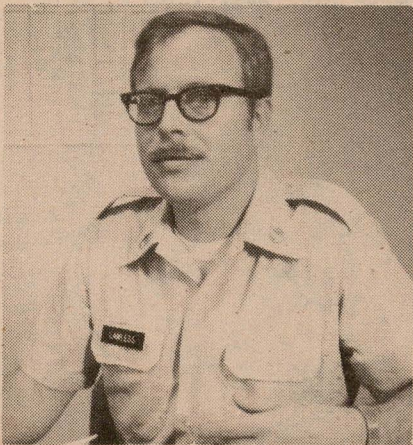
Farmer served in the training office for the battalion's operations section.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

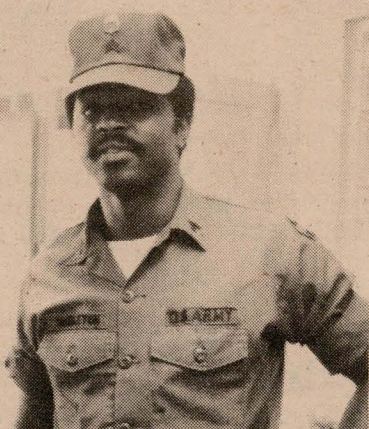
What change would you like to see at the Presidio?

SSgt. Mike Lawless, COMPACT—"What I would really like to see is staff personnel allowed to work at their jobs. I lose Monday morning to PT and Wednesday morning to formation. We are producing lousy infantry men who are also lousy clerks. I just wish they would let me have my people and do my job."



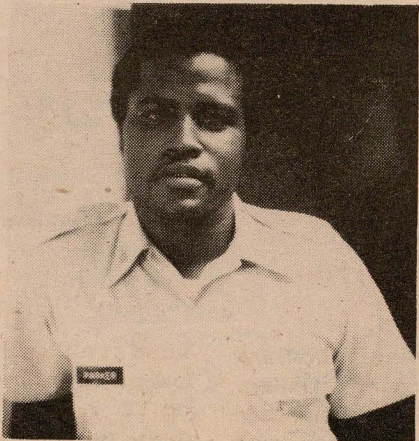
Edgar Lister, CPO—"There is a need for facilities to work out in like the gym, because civilians can't use some of the equipment there. If we come to work and forget our gym bags, you can't check out any of their gear."

Sgt. Dennis Singleton, MISO—"I would like to have the installation PX and the snack bar terminate their competitive pricing with outside stores. They should be as inexpensive as they used to be."



Pvt. Esther Ingle, AG—"I think they should keep USAG here because it is going to be difficult for us to work here and shop in the PX here and live at Fort Scott. Besides we belong here not Fort Scott."

Sp4 Larry Parker, PBO—"We should have a visitation policy. Now we have to feel guilty about doing things that aren't 'right.' We should have a policy like Fort Scott's where they can visit between 5 and 10 p.m. We don't have any visitation at all."



PT once a week isn't really enough

In a recent interview with the Star Presidian Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., expressed a desire to respond to answers to last week's Ramblin Sam question, "Do you feel the Monday PT helped you on the PT test?"

Here's what he had to say: "I never thought that the once a week PT was a satisfactory program by itself. Because of the many shift workers and the tasks of headquarters company it is hard to hold PT more often."

"I was hoping the Monday PT would provide the incentive for those who were out of shape to get involved in their own personal fit-

ness programs which is the central direction of the Army's program for garrison type units.

"Knowing human nature I felt that the once a week program would serve as a good check up and to give supervising NCO's a chance to recognize those soldiers in need of work."

"The good response on Monday has been gratifying especially when the troops singing Jody cadence try to push the old men's platoon up the last hill. And for the most part I think many soldiers are getting involved in their own programs. Let's face it, people feel good about themselves when they are in shape."

PX beauty shop needs a black operator on duty

Dear Editor,

On June 18, I went to the PX beauty salon an asked for an appointment to have my hair done. When I asked to have my hair washed, pressed and set, the lady at the desk told me that they didn't press hair. I asked if they had any black operators and she said no.

The lady also told me that since they hadn't had a request for hair to be pressed in more than a year, their operators didn't know how to do it.

I simply cannot accept the fact that I have to change the way I've been wearing my hair to accommodate the PX. I was able to have my hair pressed in the most remote place in Korea by an operator at the post beauty shop. Therefore, it only stands to reason that here in San

Francisco and the Presidio, I should be able to get the same service.

I have inquired around the barracks and at work and I surprisingly found several people who wish to obtain similar services from the post beauty shop. Currently they are going downtown to have their hair done which is very expensive. Furthermore, why should we have to go downtown when there is a beauty shop on post that should be meeting our needs?

I feel consideration should be given to hiring an operator or two that can meet the needs of soldiers and dependents from all ethnic backgrounds. I refrain from accusing the PX beauty shop of practicing racism, but I do feel that I have been discriminated against.

Sp5 Micheline Dutes

Dear Sp5 Dutes,

Thank you for bringing to our attention the problem at the beauty shop. A black operator has been hired and started working on July 30.

Every effort will be made to

insure that the beauty shop provides service to meet the needs of the soldiers and dependents from all ethnic backgrounds.

Soundra Bourne
Exchange
Manager

Dear Readers,

The action of Mrs. Sandy Bourne on Sp5 Dutes letter is just one example of the "How can I help?" attitude.

The Presidio Exchange system

has long been in the forefront with this attitude.

All of us should be grateful to Mrs. Bourne and her staff for their concern for our welfare.

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Hall trying to make post better

by Tom Tiernan

"It is sad to say, but when I got here I felt a defensive attitude among many post agencies in the sense that they didn't see their jobs as supplying wholehearted service and support."

That's the way Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., viewed the Presidio when he took command just over a year ago.

Today however, he sees things somewhat differently, "I am happy to say that I either had a misconception or the sections have been more positive in their attitudes. We are getting a

really fine I want to help you attitude on the part of post personnel."

Hall also feels that advancement has been made in the training of the individual soldier during the past 12 months. "We have reminded every NCO with soldiers in his charge that he has to take an interest in training his soldiers. This is the only way the job gets done and soldiers get the skill they need.

The colonel added, "I also am very pleased with the excellent job the Presidio Army Museum has done telling the Army story to San Francisco. It is strange, though, that most people who live or

work here on the Presidio have never visited the museum."

The commander had praise for Mrs. Neal of the NCO/EM Wives Club for starting "a modest" program of summer activities for post kids. "Mrs. Neal is an example of the very few who really give of themselves to make the Presidio better. Too many people take what they can get and give very little back."

Hall feels that there has been little change in the morale of soldiers here. "Most soldiers do well here and are ok. Prices hurt the junior married soldier, however. A soldier's morale is affected when he has a worthwhile job and the means to do that job.

"Duty here can be frustrating for the soldiers assigned to headquarters company because they spend 40 per cent of their time pulling details or away from their primary duty. The most frustrating detail is the central magazine guard. Thus far we have been unable to get the money or the civilian manpower spaces to eliminate that detail, but we are still trying. Until then, guard duty is a soldier's job, as it always has been."

Another factor which the 23 year Army veteran feels would improve the soldier's life at the Presidio is new barracks.

"The new barracks have been set back at least two years due to a recent DA budget decision. Instead of getting the money in fiscal year 82 it will not be until FY 84," Hall explained.

The colonel does not see this move as an indication that DA might be gearing up for another closure study. "There are still soldiers on other posts living in World War II style open bay wooden barracks. It is hard for us to argue that we need new barracks worse than they do, but we are pressing the Presidio's needs.

Another long waited project has also been put off for a number of years, the new commissary.

It now appears that money for that facility won't be available until FY 86 at the earliest.

A native of Kansas City, Mo., Hall expressed disappointment that efforts to start a community life council program in the Pershing housing area was not supported as strongly as was needed for it to be a success. But he was pleased with the exterior improvements being made by some residents.

In the time he has remaining here, Hall hopes to make more efficient management a way of life on the Presidio. "A move toward more sound tight, and imaginative management of garrison activities has to be accomplished in the next year or so."

"But what I'd really like to leave behind as monuments to my tour as post commander are those new barracks and the commissary.



Talkin' with the 'chief'

Cub Scout Eric Svendsen explains the meaning of the symbols on a leather skin presented to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander earlier this year. In the 2 months since Hall assumed com-

mand of the Presidio he has devoted a great deal of effort toward improving community life by lending his support to many organizations such as the Boy Scouts. (Photo by John Green)

Forms arrive, confusion starts

Variable Housing Allowance Data collection forms have begun hitting the Presidio as part of a drive to collect cost of living information here.

The arrival of the forms, however, has sent a barrage of phone calls to several post agencies from persons wondering where their forms are.

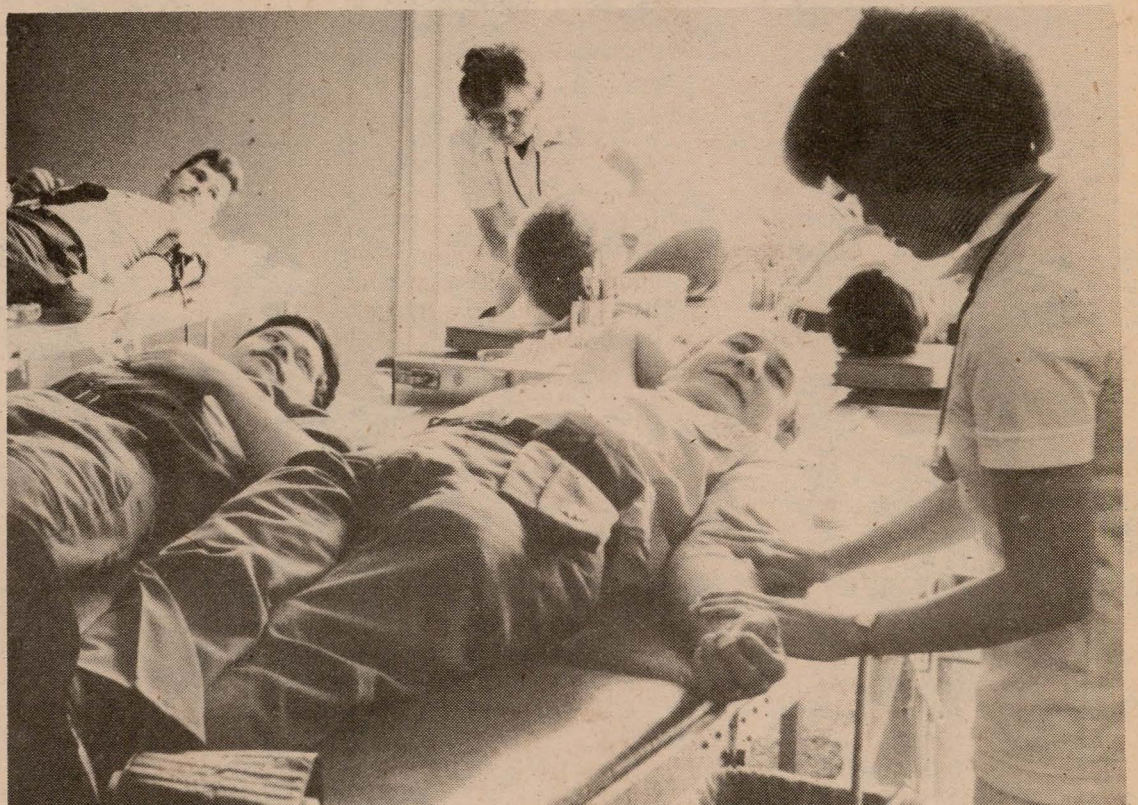
According to a spokesman for the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities, "only a handful" of personnel on post will be asked to complete the forms.

The spokesman noted that post officials have no control over the forms since they are being sent to individuals selected by Department of the Army for the survey.

The forms are contained in packets, the spokesman said, and are sent in bulk to the individuals' units for distribution.

The survey is trying to determine the average cost of housing in specific geographic areas throughout CONUS. With the anticipated congressional passage of a measure authorizing variable housing allowances, the Department of the Army is attempting to identify those areas in which housing costs exceed the Basic Allowance for quarters.

For more information, personnel should contact their units.



Giving the gift of life

Members of the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank draw blood from volunteers during last quarter's blood drive. Presidians can participate in the next drive Aug. 19. Donors can give

blood at either the NCO/EM Club from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or at the old MOS test center, building 1277.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)



Helen blows her top

Mount St. Helens blows her top sending steam and ash in clouds that covered the upper half of the nation. A Sixth Army unit—the Washington Army National Guard—has been credited with saving 167 lives in the first three days of the blast.



A civil air patrol flight coordinator checks over the disaster area. The coordinator guided Active Army and National Guard helicopter crews on their search and rescue missions.

Guard helps when Helen blows her top

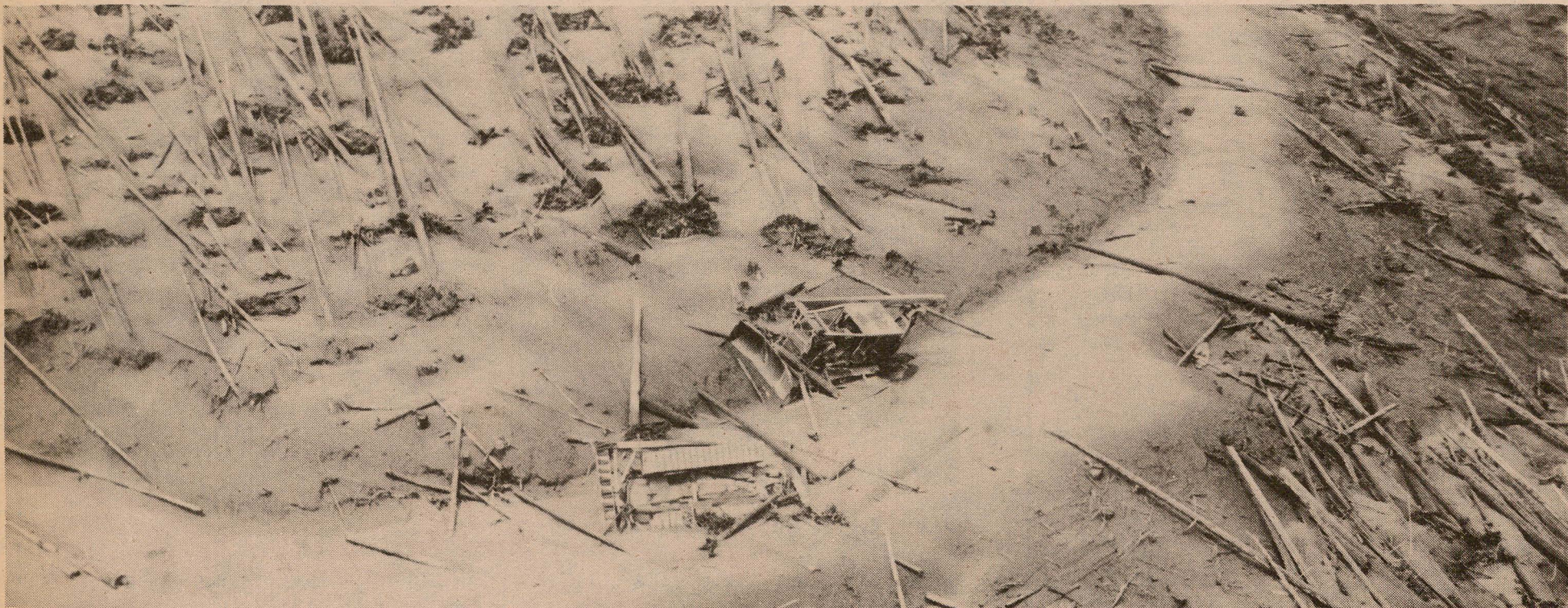
Photos by John Haberle

“Like something out of Dante,” is how one member of the Washington National Guard described the devastation from the Mount St. Helens eruption last May.

The quick response of the Guard is credited with rescuing 167 persons from the mountain in the first three days after Mount St. Helens blew her top.

But the job hasn’t been finished. The guard remains on the scene waiting for more eruptions like last week’s.

According to one observer, the actions of the Sixth Army unit “showed the world how rapidly they could respond to an emergency and how well they could work in the most adverse of situations.”



Bull dozers bowled over

When Mount St. Helens blew it sent hot ash raining down over a wide area. Two tractors from a logging operation five miles away lie buried in ash as grim testimony to the mountain’s destruction. Surrounding the tractors are tooth-pick-like trees which were blown over by the blast.

Laundry helps soldiers clean-up

● Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

There you are stuck at the laundromat sorting through that jumbo bag with a week's worth of soiled uniforms, dirty underwear and sweaty sweat socks.

Now imagine doing 3.4 million pieces of laundry each year. That's what the post Quartermaster Laundry does, according to manager Thomas J. Frothingham.

Frothingham says that the laundry's biggest single customer is Letterman Army Medical Center, but notes that his facility also works for all the units on post as well as some in Oakland in addition to providing bundle service to individual soldiers and retirees.

Getting the job done naturally requires more than the simple washer most people use. Frothingham says the combined output of his washers, which range from 60 to 600 pound capacity, totals nearly 3,000 pounds of laundry per hour.

For it's efficiency and service, the laundry was recently awarded a FORSCOM commendation.

For the individual soldier, the post laundry offers two types of service, says Frothingham.

With a payroll deduction of \$8 a month, soldiers can get a 24-piece bundle of clothes cleaned each week.

For others, the laundry offers a piece rate service where patrons pay for each item they drop off at the plant. Charges for a set of fatigues, for example, total 80¢.

The laundry also offers an express service. Those who get their items in by 9 a.m. can get them back by 3 p.m. for a nominal charge, says Frothingham.

And for those who fight the never ending battle of the socks—that is never being able to figure out how eight pairs become seven and a half between washer and dryer—Frothingham notes his plant's way of keeping track. As each piece comes in, he says, a laundry mark is put on the item and on the ticket. When the wash is done, those markers are matched to the tickets and then bundled.

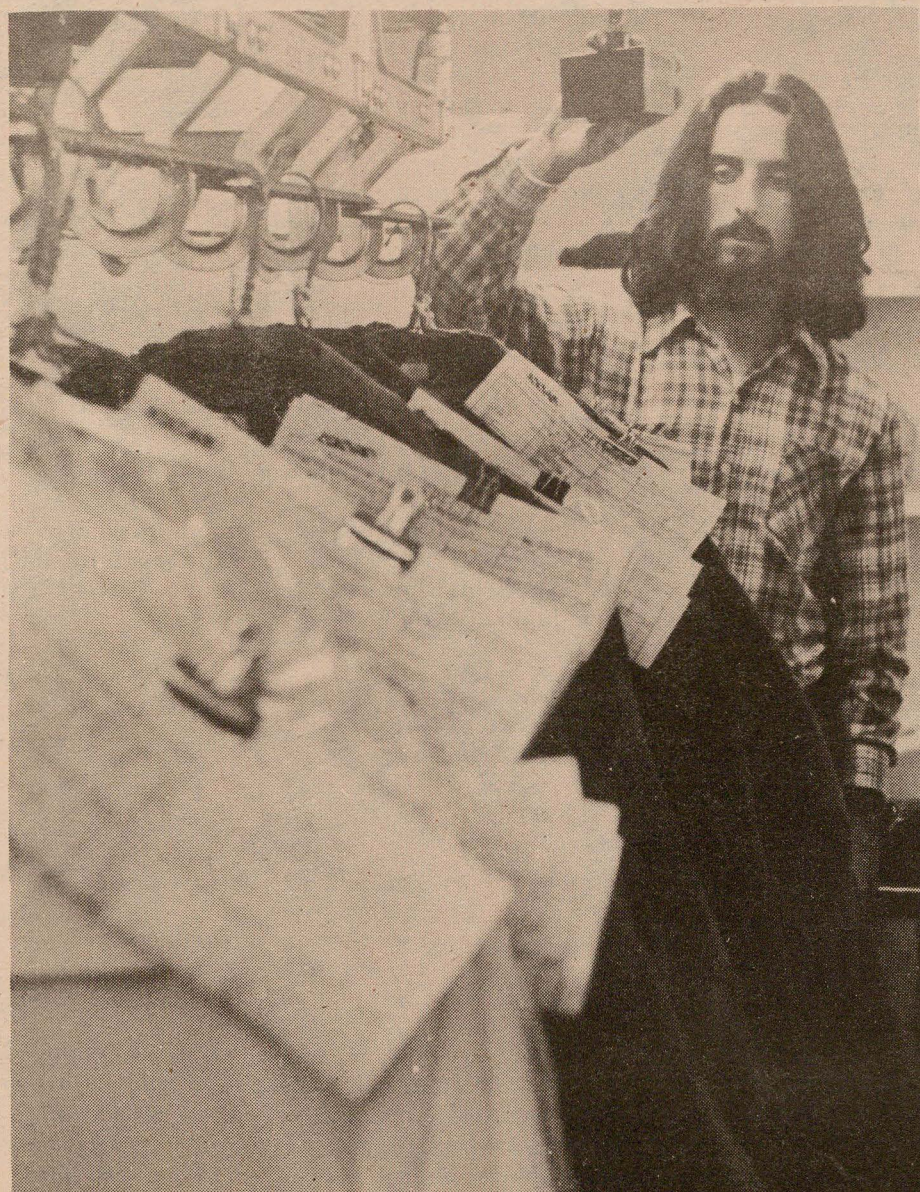
He makes it sound so simple.



A load for LAMC

Moses Hill unloads one of the 600 pound capacity washers that helped the post laundry facility earn

a FORSCOM commendation for efficiency last year.



Laundry, forward march

● Ray Katsanes locates a customer's laundry. The system of tracking each of the more than 3

million pieces of laundry has been reduced to something of a fine science,



I'm not sticking my head in these 'jaws'

Ossie Mitchell presses one of the more than 3 million pieces of laun-

dry handled by the post laundry every year.

Time to spare



A medievil square dance?

Renaissance Faire characters "trip the lights fantastic" in an exhibition of period dance. Other

entertainment at the faire includes musicians, jugglers and artisans selling their wares. The Faire is

complete with a daily visit from Queen Elizabeth I. Discount tickets are available at the Rec Center.



I can't believe my eyes

The Town Beggar is awe struck when he meets the Queen at the Renaissance Faire. The beggar is one of several period characters waiting to delight fairegoers.

Take a trip back in time, visit the Renaissance faire

Story and photos by Tom Tiernan

Almost everyone dreams of living in another time.

Now through Sept. 7 interested Presidians can spend a few hours in another time and place, renaissance England.

The **Renaissance Pleasure Faire** offers a look at a typical faire during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I.

Located in the Black Point Forest in Novato, the faire features thousands of customed musicians, singers, restaurateurs and just plain common folks.

Food stands, ale gardens, and theaters offer visitors a place to stop and rest along their journey back in time.

Along the several trails are artisans selling their wares ranging from clothes to pottery as well as musicians and jugglers to provide entertainment.

Astrologers and palmists are available for those who believe in those sort of things.

Babysitting services and games for the

children are also on hand in the village. And for adults there's an outdoor massage parlor and foot rub stand.

Throughout the day a royal visit is made to the faire by Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth I.

After being greeted at the shire's green the Queen is carried through the streets in a colorful parade of royalty and musicians.

The forest provides natural shade for the faire but it is advisable to wear a hat and cool clothes.

Parking is free and well managed to prevent any hassles.

To get to the faire take highway 101 north to the route 37 exit for Napa and Vallejo. Follow the road for three miles and you'll soon arrive at Black Point Forest.

Travel athrough the faire takes about three hours including frequent stops to browse through the shops and to take in the entertainment.

Be sure to take plenty of film and a camera. Admission to the faire is \$8.75 for adults and \$3.75 for children under 13. Discount tickets are available at the Presidio Rec Center.

Fairs and circus fill week's events

Tonight the 1980 WUSHU championship team from China will perform an **exhibition of martial arts** at the Cow Palace at 8 p.m. Additional performances are scheduled for tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Call 334-4852 for more information.

A show featuring **Arabian music, belly dancing and Egyptian guest artists** happens tomorrow at 8:30 p.m. at the Bellevue Hotel at Geary and Taylor streets. Call 665-2522 for further information.

An **Irish Fair** is on tap for Saturday and Sunday at the **Fort Mason Center between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.** The fair features Irish entertainment and sports as well as a performance by the U. S. Navy band.

The **California State Fair** opens tomorrow in

Sacramento. In addition to the usual attractions, the fair features live entertainment nightly with **Lynn Anderson** scheduled for tomorrow, **Jose Feliciano** on Saturday and **George Lindsay** on Sunday.

The **Renaissance Pleasure Faire** continues in Novato this weekend. The Presidio Recreation Center has **discount tickets available** for the Faire. Call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily for more information.

Sunday the **Star Trek Experience** comes to the Concord Pavillion. **Gene Roddenberry**, creator of the show, hosts the program which features film clips, TV bloopers and a science fiction costume contest. The show starts at 8 p.m. Reserved seats are \$7.50 and \$8.50 and general admission tickets are \$5.50. Tickets are on sale

through Ticketron and BASS outlets.

The San Francisco USO offers **Summer Kid-walks** each weekday morning at 9 a.m. Tour choices range from the zoo to the mural walk in the Mission District. **All the tours are free** except for bus fares and entrance fees. For more information call the USO at 885-0234.

Tickets are now on sale for the **Heart concert** at the Concord Pavillion Aug. 26 and 27 at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$8.50 with reserved seats going for \$10.50. All tickets are available through Ticketron and BASS.

The **Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey Circus** is coming to town Tuesday. The circus performs at the Oakland Coliseum Arena Tuesday through Aug. 28 and at the Cow Palace from Aug. 29 through Sept. 1. For full listing of show times and ticket prices call 334-4852.

Sports

Shorts

Fun Run set

The next fun run race will take place Aug. 2 beginning at noon over a fast 5,000 meters (3.1 mile) course. The start and finish will be at Gym No. 1. A map of the route is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of gym NO. 1. The course is mostly flat and downhill with two minor hills along the way.

All runners on post, male and female are invited to participate in this monthly venture. All finishers receive their time and place. It is a chance to meet fellow runners on post, run a new course, go for a fast time or any other reason you like. For more information call Bob Darling, 561-4120.

Top golfer here

Jimmy Steinbaugh, USAG, was selected for the All-Army Golf try-outs at Fort Meade, Md.

Steinbaugh won the Interservice Senior Golf Championship last year. He also recently won the Western Regional FORSCOM Championship, senior division, at Fort Riley, Kan.

Tourney planned

The 1980 Presidio Racquetball Championships for active duty military will be conducted Sept. 5 through 7 at the main post gym.

There will be three divisions consisting of seniors (36 years and over), open (any age), and women's (any age) with the top two finishers in each division eligible to represent the Presidio in the FORSCOM championships to be held at Fort Hood, Tex. Oct. 6-10.

Entry deadline for sign-up is close of business Sept. 2.

For more information contact SFC Funes, 561-5032 during duty hours.

Soccer meeting set

The 1980 Intramural Soccer competition will begin Sept. 2.

A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at 1 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Fort Scott Athletic Field.

Units entering a team must have team representative at this meeting. Individuals whose units are not entering a team, may sign-up and participate on another team.

For more information, contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon, at 561-5032.

Boxers wanted

A boxing program will start soon for those interested in training for intra-squad competition with various boxing clubs around the Bay Area and the FORSCOM boxing championships.

For more information call Jim Ragasa, 561-5328 at Gym No. 3, Bldg. No. 1226.



Up, up and away

Members of the USAG and USACC basketball teams battle it out during last season's competition. An All-Star team of Presidio players recently

won the first annual Oakland Army Base Basketball Tournament with a perfect 4-0 record. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

All-stars win big

The Presidio Basketball All Star Team competed in the first annual Open Basketball Tournament sponsored by the Oakland Army Base, last weekend and captured the championship with a perfect 4-0 record.

With hardly more than a week's preparation, the All Stars quickly jelled into an unstoppable force, completely surprising everyone at the tournament.

The All Stars were playing in a tournament that included highly talented teams, such as the Believer's and the Programs, both semi-professionals teams. The tournament also included pro's that currently are playing the NBA, such as Kevin Rastrini, San Antonio Spurs, and Billy Reid, Golden State Warriors.

Somehow with sheer determination, smart basketball and tremendous effort the Presidians snatched the first place trophy in a blaze of glory from teams with superior height and talent, teams that play basketball throughout the year.

With the luck of the draw, the Presidians were paired against hapless St. Bernards', who gave a good first half showing, but were eventually blown out early in the second half, losing to the All Stars 105-57. Although the game developed into a rout, the game proved to be very important, because it gave the players a chance to jell into a cohesive unit, develop a sense of self-confidence in themselves and each other.

The Presidians second victory came against AAFES, 86-74, and proved to be a little more difficult, because the AAFES team was as quick

and as fast and taller than the All-Stars. Throughout the game the score bandied back and forth, but eventually the Presidio's bench depth, constant supply of fresh players proved insurmountable. The constant relentless pressure, eventually put the Presidians in control of the game in the final minutes and one more step toward their goal of gaining the championship.

The Presidian's third game in the semi-finals against Oakland Police Department, proved to be a thriller. With less than two minutes remaining and behind by seven points, the All Stars reached deep down inside and pulled off a remarkable come from behind victory, winning the game 77-72.

Tying the game and forcing it into overtime, the momentum shifted to the Presidians' favor because the opposing starters were in foul trouble. With less than two minutes into the overtime, three of the starters for the Oakland Police Department had fouled out and the game was over.

In the finals, the Presidian's were matched up against a team that had emerged from the loser's bracket, destroying a tough Believers' and OPD, the Programers'. The Programers' victories were physically exhausting and played into the Presidian's game plan—play all out basketball, never letting up their pressure against the opponent. This plan eventually caused the Programers' to crack and allow the Presidian's to win the game and the championship with a score of 90-85.

USAG cops another crown

USAG rode the big bat of **Jim Poole** and some spectacular catches by their hustling outfielder **Glenn Turner** to completely annihilate LAMC Doctor's to capture the PSF All Comer's Tournament and their second championship of the year.

USAG came out slugging in the first inning, scoring four runs on five hits with the big blow coming off the bat of Poole who blasted one of his three doubles. He later added a triple.

LAMC Doctor's not to be outdone in the initial phase of the game took a 5 to 4 advantage after three innings.

Poole, leading off for USAG, hit one past the outfielders for a triple in the fourth inning and

then scored on a fielder's choice to tie the score at 5 to 5.

In the next inning, the scrappy USAG team combined five hits and two Doctor's errors to score six runs to go ahead 11 to 5.

The Doctor's were held scoreless from the first inning, thanks to the speed and daring fielding by **Glenn Turner**, who caught a few balls that should have been ground rule doubles.

The powerful bats of USAG sounded again, scoring four more runs to put the game out of reach for the struggling Doctor's after six complete innings for a 15 to 5 victory.

At the conclusion of the tournament, team trophies were presented to the champions, USAG and runner-up team, LAMC Doctor's.

Presidio News Notes

PX sale underway

The post exchange is currently holding its **Mid-August Sale**.

Supplies and clothing for back to school will be on sale. Specials will also be run on watches, billfold, exercise equipment and sporting goods.

The sale concludes Aug. 17.

Hours change

The **Presidio Federal Credit Union** will operate on limited office and teller hours Aug. 18 through 22. The office will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The credit union will close Aug. 25 and will not re-open until Sept. 2.

These moves are necessary to complete the merger with the Pentagon Federal Credit Union.

Full service hours return Sept. 2 as follows:

Office—8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tellers—9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Scout sign up set

Registration for new and returning **Girl Scouts and Brownies** will be held Aug. 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the **Community Center (Log Cabin)**.

Leaders and assistant leaders are needed for two Brownie troops and two junior troops. If leaders are not found for these groups, girls will be placed on a waiting list.

For more information contact Ginger Daniels at 561-3886 after 5 p.m.

Trip scheduled

There are still spaces available for the **Russian River Canoe Trip** on Aug. 17. Please call 561-2000 for more information.

Tickets are available at the Rec Center for the **China Exhibition** at Fort Mason, Friday, Sept. 19, 6 to 9 p.m. Price is \$4.00.

The comedy team of **Billy Jay, Bonzo and Friend**, one of San Francisco's hottest groups, will perform at the Rec Center on Sept. 10.

For additional information concerning program activities, please call after 2 p.m. at 561-2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available daily after 4 p.m.

Scuba test Aug. 26

Scuba class screen tests will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at the **post swimming pool** for all those interested in scuba lessons.

Classes will begin on Sept. 8 and will last for eight to ten weeks.

If interested call 561-4324.

Craft fair planned

The Arts and Crafts Shop will hold their second annual crafts exhibit which starts Tuesday and continues through Aug. 29.

Approximately 50 arts and crafts exhibits will be on display including projects in woodworking



Don't leave me standing here

Even on a weekday some San Francisco streets can be a lonely place. Here one gentleman window shops alone. The picture by Ken Juber has been selected as the Photo of the Week. It will be

and cabinetry, upholstery, pottery and ceramics and photography.

All the items on display have been either made or restored at the crafts shop.

In addition to the displays, interested personnel may sign up for a variety of fall classes offered at the shop. The classes are open to all active duty, retired and reserve personnel as well as dependents and Department of the Army civilians.

The shop, located in building 122, is open Tuesday through Friday from 2 to 10 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Help needed at chapel

Protestant Sunday School begins Sept. 7. If you can assist in this program call Chaplain Vanderburgh at 561-3535.

Pot luck planned

An "International Pot Luck Night" will be held Aug. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the **Religious Activities Center**.

Interested persons are asked to bring their favorite international dish.

Reservations must be made for all adults attending. To do so call Cheryl at 561-2398 or Ginger at 561-4093.

entered in the quarterly competition for a special certificate. If you have a photo you'd like to see here, bring it by our newsroom located in room 219 of building 37.

Summer camp sign ups

DYA still has a few openings for the **Camp Fire Baker Beach Day camp** which begins on Monday.

The camp is open to all Presidio military dependents ages six through 11.

Cost of the camp is \$10 per child.

Registration is now underway in the **Morale Support Activities building, building 122**.

For more information call 561-5143.

Class available

A **Leadership and Management Development Trainer's Course** will be held at Ft. Ord from Oct. 3-31, 1980. Presidio has been allocated one space. The course is for soldiers E-6 through O-3 who are interested in assisting the **Organizational Effectiveness Staff Officer** in conducting **Leadership and Management Development Courses (LMDC)** for USAG upon successful completion and return. The LMDC is four days in length and is held quarterly. Applicants must be available to teach once per quarter and have one years retainability on PSF upon graduation.

Interested personnel should contact Capt. Welsh, at 561-6084/5730 for further information and personal interview.

Registration underway

Registration for new students in the **San Francisco Unified School District** begins on Aug. 18.

Increased sales mean more money for soldiers

Presidio PX shoppers have been spending more money than exchange officials planned on last year. This fact combined with higher sales and lower operation costs worldwide will mean an additional \$5 million dollars for Army and Air Force Morale, Welfare and Recreation funds.

During their recent quarterly meeting the AAFES board of directors decided to increase the donation bringing the total amount committed to the funds to \$90 million for the current fiscal year or the equivalent of over \$72 for every soldier and airmen on active duty.

The 1980 funds will mean that AAFES has

returned more than \$1 billion to PX patrons in the past 15 years.

During the meeting the directors also approved another \$5 million for spending on construction to improve and upgrade present facilities and build new ones worldwide.

One such improvement project is currently underway here according to Mrs. Sandy Bourne, Presidio Exchange Manager.

The project involves the enclosing of the PX mall breezeway which Bourne hopes will cut down on heating costs during the coming year.

Enclosing the mall will cost about \$20,000 and should be completed on or before Oct. 1.

Bourne states that the hot dog stand once located in the mall will be replaced temporarily by the stationing of a **Running Chef truck** outside the PX. But when the project is complete the exchange will unveil a "sleek electric hot dog cart."

Bourne concluded by saying that she and all exchange officials welcome comments and suggestions on how they can better serve their customers.

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Soldiers question USAG move

by Tom Tiernan

"What about the size of our rooms?" "Will we be reimbursed if something gets broken?" "Why do we have to move in the first place?" "What's going to happen to our old barracks?"

These are just a few of the questions being asked by soldiers assigned to Hq. Co. USAG, as they prepare to move to Fort Scott.

The move is necessary to allow building 105 to be turned over to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for permanent office space.

According to FEMA Public Information Officer, Mr. Vern Paule, the agency is moving to the Presidio to save money and consolidate three offices into one. "We currently have offices located at 211 Main St., 450 Golden Gate Ave., and in Santa Rosa," explains Paule.

FEMA, says Paule, is responsible for planning and responding to natural disasters. They are the coordinator for all federal actions when the President declares an area a disaster area.

The San Francisco office, one of ten regions, is responsible for the states of Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas.

Paule expects the agency to move to the Presidio in the spring of 1981.

What's going to be happening to the buildings in the mean time? As soon as building 105 is clear, FEMA will begin soliciting bids for the major renovation of the structure with work to start sometime around the end of the year.

Maj. William Vencill, headquarters commandant, explains that building 101 A will be used as the Senior NCO BEQ replacing building 1205 which Hq. Co. is taking over. No decision has been made, however, on the future of building 104.

The company commander feels that most of his soldiers will learn to appreciate the move after they have relocated to Fort Scott. "The buildings are more organized, and are as comfortable if not more so than the current barracks. The rooms are somewhat larger and we will be able to handle more people during the summer months."

Arosteguy is aware that there are several problems associated with moving to Fort Scott. "Feeding and transportation are two of the main problems on which we are not going to be able to satisfy everyone," he states.

Transportation to work in the morning and back to Fort Scott will be available for those who reside in the barracks. Shift workers will be provided rides to their duty sections through the sergeant of the guard from both USAG and the 504th.

To help soldiers who want to stay and shop at the PX or are in the main area of the post after the shuttle bus leaves, there isn't much the unit can do. Post officials, however, are trying to get MUNI to run buses to Fort Scott up to 11 p.m.

Once the move is completed soldiers will be

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A man on the move

Capt. Robert Arosteguy, commander, Hq. Co. USAG, checks the lock on a wall locker to insure it is properly secured during a recent inspection of the barracks. Arosteguy's unit is in the process of moving to Fort Scott to make room for the Federal Emergency Management Agency which plans on moving into building 105 during the spring of

1981. Building 101A will become a senior NCO BEQ and no decision has been made on the future of building 104. Arosteguy says that phase one of the move went as smoothly as possible and he is grateful for the cooperation of the soldiers involved.

(Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Hamilton gets LAMC Ob clinic in September

by Jon Chelgren

An obstetric clinic will open at Hamilton Air Force Base Sept. 4 as a part of an outreach program by Letterman Army Medical Center.

The clinic will be located in Building 511 at Hamilton and is being developed in connection with the opening of the Public Health Clinic there, according to Maj. Jeanette Byrnes of the LAMC Obstetrics and Gynecology Department.

According to Byrnes, the clinic will be staffed by one or two LAMC doctors on Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Nursing support will be provided by the Public Health clinic.

After patients are registered and initially

evaluated at LAMC, they will be scheduled for clinic visits at Hamilton through the 38th week of pregnancy. Care after that time will be handled at LAMC.

Byrnes stresses that all scheduling by appointments will be handled through the LAMC Ob/Gyn department.

She says that the idea for the outreach clinic developed as a result of a patient's request for services to be provided in the Hamilton/Novato area. The opening of the Public Health clinic at Hamilton made that possible, she says.

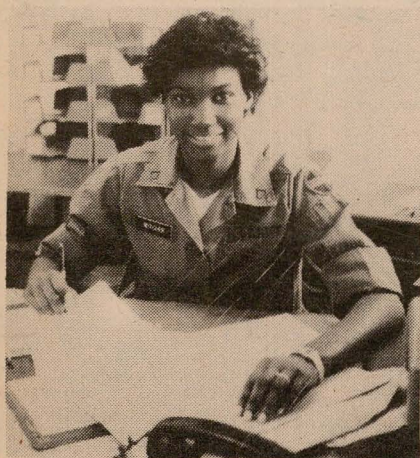
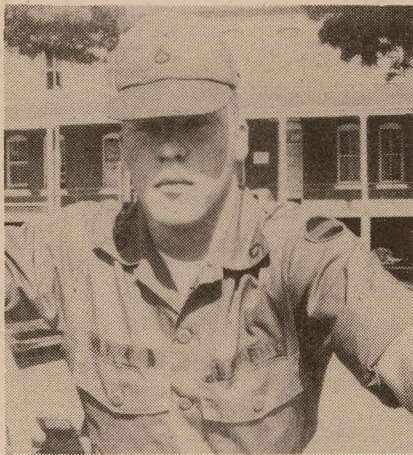
For additional information, patients should contact the LAMC Ob/Gyn department at 561-3620/3322.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

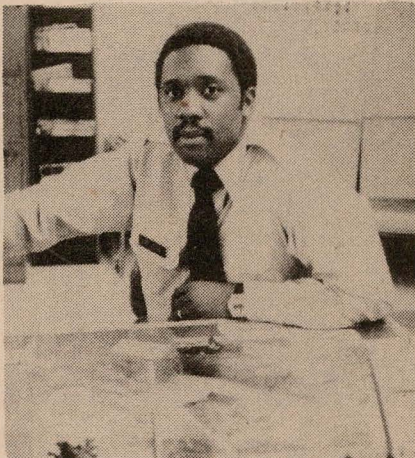
Have women achieved equal rights?

PFC Mark Schoettlin, Motor Pool—"Yes, because they are able to work at a wide range of jobs. Women can join the Army and receive the same pay as men working at the same job. More jobs are open to women in the civilian community as well."



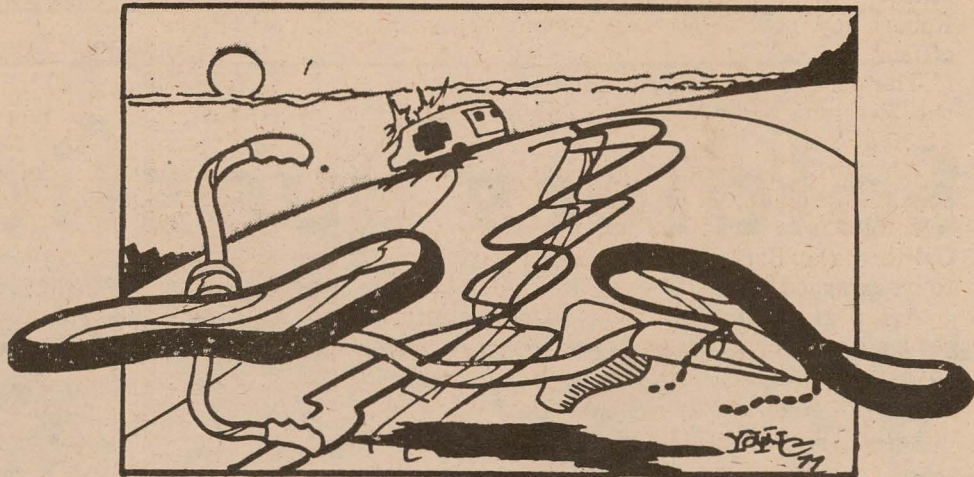
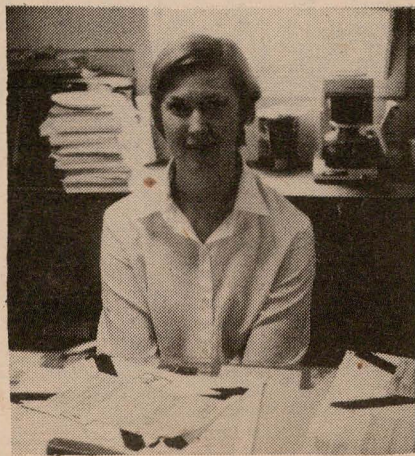
PFC Carolyn Witcher, Mail Distribution—"Yes. There are more careers open to women now, but a majority of them can not perform every job men are capable of doing because of the physical requirements."

Sgt Sam Williams, Customer Service Supervisor—"No. Women are still struggling to obtain their rights for which they have a long way to go in this all man's society. I'm a strong believer in the ERA—whole heartedly all the way."



Pvt. Arlene Iwano, USAG—"No. They have not achieved equal rights and one example is the draft registration. Both men and women should register. Women should be respected as an individual on or off the job."

Gerry Friese, CPO—"No! I doubt if this will happen in my lifetime. There are too many obstacles in the way—mainly attitudes."



I stopped

Had it not been for the trusty brakes on my van, a Pershing Park teenager would have earned himself a quick trip to the hospital—or worse—the other evening when I returned home late.

The young man and his friends were indulging in the apparent favorite Pershing Park pastime—dodge cars in the middle of dark streets.

Despite his close call, neither the kid nor his friends paid any attention to my quick stop. They merely went their merry way.

The incident drove home something peculiar I have noticed around the Pershing Park area. The children there are seemingly allowed to run free and frequently play in the streets oblivious of the dangers.

The incident the other night wasn't an isolated case. A neighbor of mine told me about some much younger kids zooming down a driveway on their tricycles and out onto Pershing Drive.

Things like that make me wonder why? Why do kids seem to pick the most dangerous places to play?

But may be the question should be where? As in, where were the kids' parents and their concern for their children's safety?

I am not asking those questions to shake a finger at anyone. I am sure most parents have a tough job keeping an eye on their kids. Certainly the teenagers that darted in front of my car the other night don't need constant supervision.

But if their parents had insisted that they wear light colored clothing after dark, I probably would have seen them at a much more comfortable distance.

And had the parents of those tykes on trikes been giving them appropriate supervision, the kids probably wouldn't have been zipping out onto Pershing Drive.

Despite safety announcements, we allow dangerous situations like kids playing in the middle of Pershing Drive to continue.

Maybe it takes a tragedy to jar us out of that attitude... maybe some evening I won't be able to stop in time.

Jon Chelgren

No more 'this man's Army'

"This man's Army." That's an interesting phrase considering the make up of today's Army.

Just look around you and you can see more and more women donning the uniform. But some of us still call it "This man's Army."

In the last century it might have been true that the Army was no place for women. But it certainly isn't true today.

Women are mechanics, officers, lawyers, truck drivers, they are everywhere.

Women are good soldiers too. They, like their male counterparts, are dedicated and hardworking. They are here to serve their country.

Women enlist to serve their nation and to reap the benefits from such service. To view their motives in any other fashion is pure fantasy.

The time has come for that old saying "This man's Army" to be dispelled and replace with "This All American Army."

The Editor

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Women's Day talk announced

Presidio's eighth annual **Women's Day observance** will be held **Aug. 26**, according to Mr. Robert Joy, post equal employment opportunity officer.

The observance will consist of a luncheon at the Presidio NCO Enlisted Club beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Air Force Reserve Colonel Renee Rubin will speak on the subject of "Service or servitude?"

Rubin is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley. She was the first woman to be awarded a Master's of Criminology degree.

After receiving a direct commission, she served as a special agent in the Office of Special Investigations for Department of the Air Force.

In 1972 Rubin served on special assignment to the staff of the Director of Women in the Air

Force, to prepare a study on the impact of the Equal Rights Amendment, when ratified, on the Air Force.

As a result of this study, the Department of Defense policy which required the separation from service of women convicted by court-martial was rescinded, and women were given the same opportunity as men for rehabilitation.

In 1978 Rubin served on the staff of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Installations. Advising the secretary on matters pertaining to equal opportunity for women and Hispanics.

Rubin later resigned her regular commission and accepted a reserve appointment to attend law school. She is now employed as a judicial staff attorney for the California State Court of

Appeals. She is a past director of the San Francisco Bar Association and was the first woman appointed to the faculty of the Hastings College of Law at the University of California. She was the first woman to chair a section of the State Bar of California and served two terms as chair of its Legal Services Section. She has also served as the first woman president of the Commonwealth Club.

Currently she serves on the legal assistant advisory committee of the San Francisco Community College and as a member of the Sixth Army Civilian Advisory committee.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$4 and may be purchased by contacting the EEO office at 561-2035.

Volunteers wanted for All-American week

All American Week will be observed at the Presidio Oct. 28 through Nov. 1, according to Capt. Ron Seikel. "It's a unique opportunity for people of all races, all ethnic backgrounds, men and women, military and civilian, to work together for a common goal."

Coordination for the first of its kind activity at the Presidio covers all garrison and tenant units. "We're also looking for a great deal of off post involvement for the celebration," he added.

"We've even invited the mayor of San Francisco to join us for the opening ceremonies."

Planning committees have been established involving all post units. Seikel added that "Anyone desiring to participate should contact any one of the various points of contact."

He identified a number of contacts who are involved in the observances. Committees are headed by: Hispanic—2nd Lt. Victorine (USAG) and Sp4 Flores (548th EOD); Asian-Pacific—SFC

Cannon (170th MP Co.) and Maj. Brown (LAMC); Native-American—Sgts. Norway and Ryan (HHD, 504th MP Bn) and SFC Maney (Sixth Army); European—SSgt. Savaka (163rd MP Co.) and SSgt Hernandez (WRRC); Black—Capt. Schumacher (Co D, 864th Eng. Co), SFC Burns (USACIDC) and Ms. Hayes (DARCOM); and American—SSgt Sarfi (51st Eng Det), Lt. Buescher and Sp5 Dumloo (LAIR).

Phone numbers for these points of contact can be obtained from Seikel's office at 561-5045.

Questions

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eating their morning and evening meals at one of the Fort Scott dining facilities. Lunch will, probably, be available at the USAG facility, but that arrangement is still being worked out.

As soldiers move into their new rooms, they will be provided with the opportunity to paint them, comments Arosteguy. "We won't have a great variety of colors to choose from but there will be several colors available."

In addition to painting rooms, other efforts will be made by the unit to spruce up the new living area.

"I want the soldiers to come up with ideas on how they want the dayroom to be decorated and arranged," adds Arosteguy. The dayroom will be located in building 1205.

Arosteguy hopes to start visitation policy once the move is completed. Something USAG soldiers have been seeking for sometime.

Soldiers who have personal items broken during the move are entitled to file a claim for the damage with the claims office of the Staff Judge Advocate, according to Capt. Vivian Weisner. Validity of the claims will be judged on a case by case basis.

The move which is scheduled for three phases has gone smoothly so far. Of phase one Arosteguy said, "I think the soldiers involved did an outstanding job. They were cooperative, showed up on time, and were very enthusiastic about the move. I am grateful for their cooperation."

Soldier injured

A member of the 170th Military Police Company was hospitalized Tuesday afternoon after he slid 60 feet down the cliffs at Baker Beach.

According to Sgt. Dennis North of the post Provost Marshal's office, Pvt. Larry Conners was on his way back to Fort Scott Tuesday when he lost his footing and slid down the cliffs.

Conners was taken to Letterman Army Medical Center where he was treated for abrasions and held overnight for observations following the accident.

(At press time doctors at LAMC expected Conners to be released Wednesday morning. They said that they were holding him overnight to check some possible internal injuries he may have suffered.)

Authorities found Conner shortly before 2 p.m. Tuesday after an unidentified witness flagged down a passing MP patrol car.



Get those jeeps in a circle

Capt. Russell Keith of the 170th MP Company maps strategy with his staff during recent exercises. The 170th packed up

and moved to Crissy Field last Thursday during a series of week-long training exercises. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

'You never get over the fear'

Photos and story by Jon Chelgren

It's a hot, dry Saturday afternoon and the group of soldiers on the edge of the airstrip are milling around, relaxing in the sun.

One would never guess from their seemingly calm and joking manner that they would soon be leaving the comfort and safety of the nearby Chinook helicopter for a 2,500 foot drop suspended by only a few pounds of silk.

Like mechanics are to car drivers, these soldiers are to parachutists. They are riggers, red hats, parachute packers. At least once every three months they must stake their lives on their handiwork and check out the chutes that they pack. For this, they are paid an extra \$55 a month.

When asked how they can sit around relaxed and joking before what most would consider a serious occasion, Sp5 William Randle replies, "Don't let it fool you. Underneath all this we're all scared to death."

A confession like that from a man who has been jumping for three years seems surprising.

"You never get over that fear of leaving the aircraft," Randle continues, "I had a man who jumped for 17 years once tell me that whenever I wasn't afraid of jumping it was the time to quit."

After being ferried out to the drop zone, the group falls into a practiced routine of selecting parachutes, donning them and getting a final safety briefing. Through it all the joking continues, sometimes in gruesomely graphic terms.

The mood changes when the jumpers board the chopper for their one way trip. The joking suddenly stops as much from the deafening noise of the rotors as anything else.

Each soldier is left silently drifting off into his own thoughts. No one looks out the window. Most look down or straight ahead.

The jump master commands them to rise and in unison they "stand up, hook up and shuffle to the door." An observer feels the tension rise as a red light—the one minute warning—comes on. The moment of truth is almost upon them.

When the green light goes on they feel a tap on their back and they step out...

On the ground, the jumpers gather and their joking resumes. They laugh about who landed how and where.

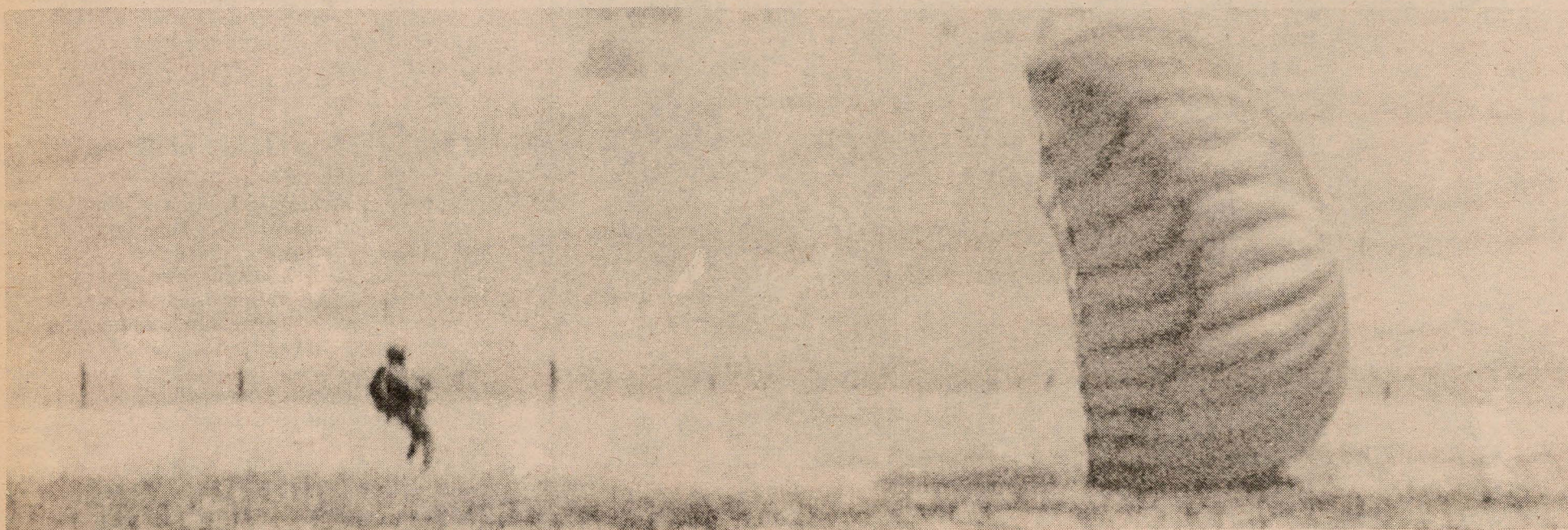
But lost in their boasting and bragging is the medic who softly thanks God that he didn't have to work today.



A moment's reflection

Sp4 Philip Diaz waits it out on the way to drop altitude lost in his own thoughts. When the red

light comes on, only one minute will separate him from his "moment of truth."

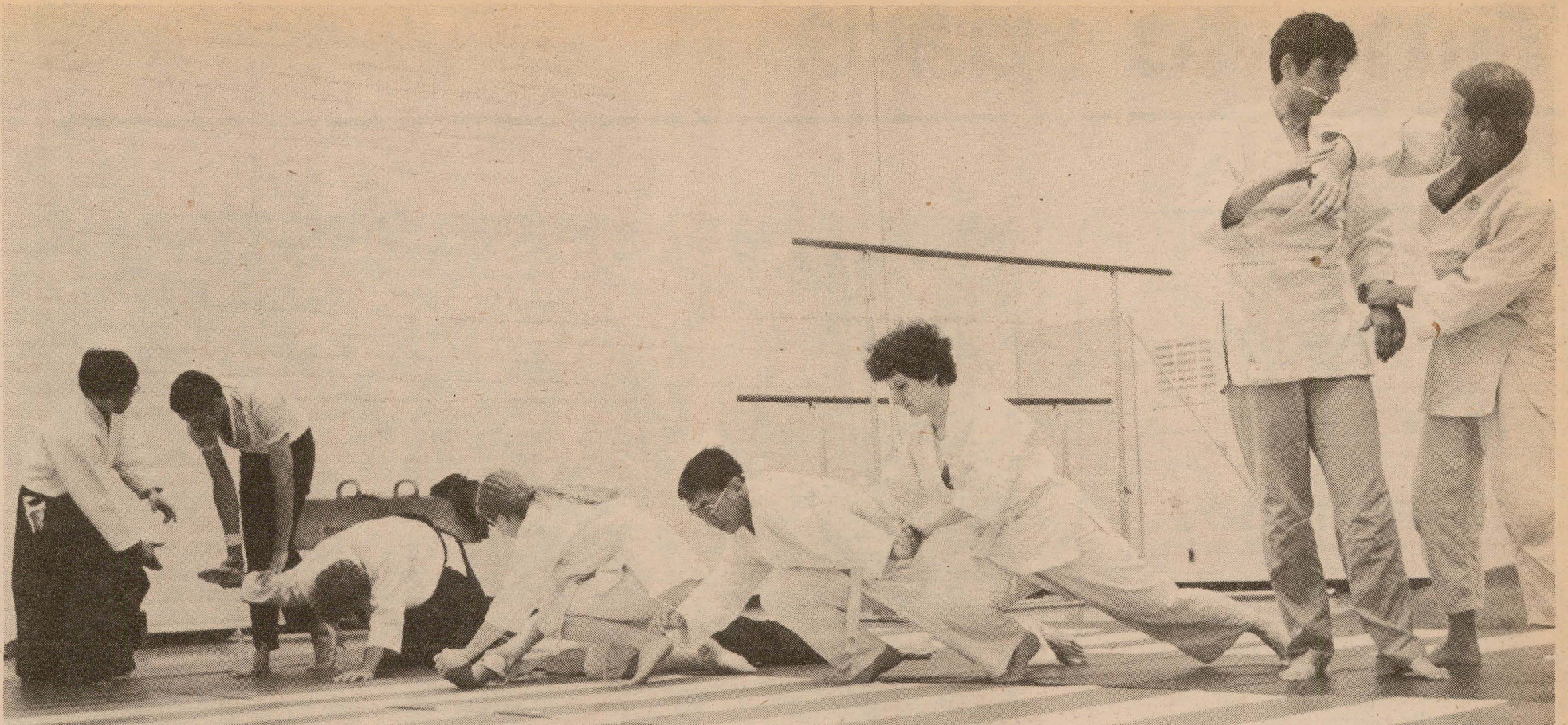


Home, sweet home

On this particular afternoon the man lands safely. It may be a long walk back from where he landed,

but he has earned his \$55 a month jump pay. When he gets back to his fellow riggers, he can

forget that feeling he had when the green light went on and he stepped out.

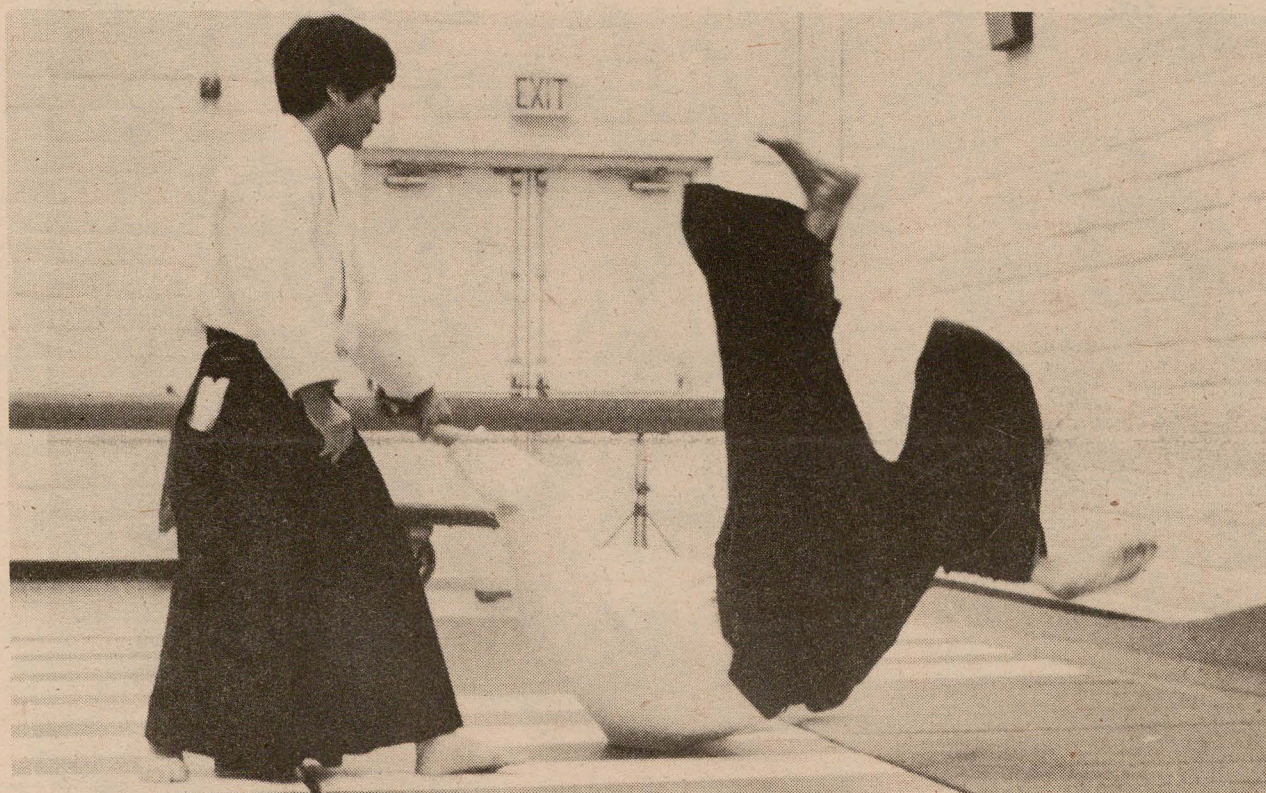


Let's do it by the numbers

The Ki-Aikido class at the Presidio Gym does their thing during a recent lunchtime class. According

to Hideki Shiohira, the practice of Ki-Aikido revolves around the coordination between mind

and body. One Aikido student insists that the form of martial art is ideal for women.



Want to shake?

Instructor Hideki Shiohira extends his Ki in the direction of Ed Haupt during an Aikido demonstra-

tion. Shiohira says that the Ki is like a living energy.

Ki-Aikido students 'flip'-out

Photos and story by Jon Chelgren

With the tremendous surge of interest in the martial arts, many people are rushing to join classes in karate, judo, kung fu and the like.

Only a handful may be aware of a relatively new form of martial arts being taught here at the Presidio.

It's called Ki-Aikido and is described by MSgt. Lou Decena of Sixth Army as a "soft" martial art. Unlike the others, Decena says, Ki-Aikido is defensive rather than offensive and is meant only as a form of self defense.

A group of students gather each noon lunch hour at the post gym to learn and practice the ways of Ki-Aikido. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, their "Sensei" or teacher, Hideki Shiohira, comes in to help and instruct them.

Aikido involves the use of another persons force against them, Shiohira explains. Central to that is the development of the "Ki" which he speaks of in terms of the "force" from Star Wars.

"It is something which is very difficult to describe," he says. "It is like a living energy."

The Ki, Shiohira says, is in all persons. As practitioners of Aikido progress, they learn to use their Ki to defend themselves.

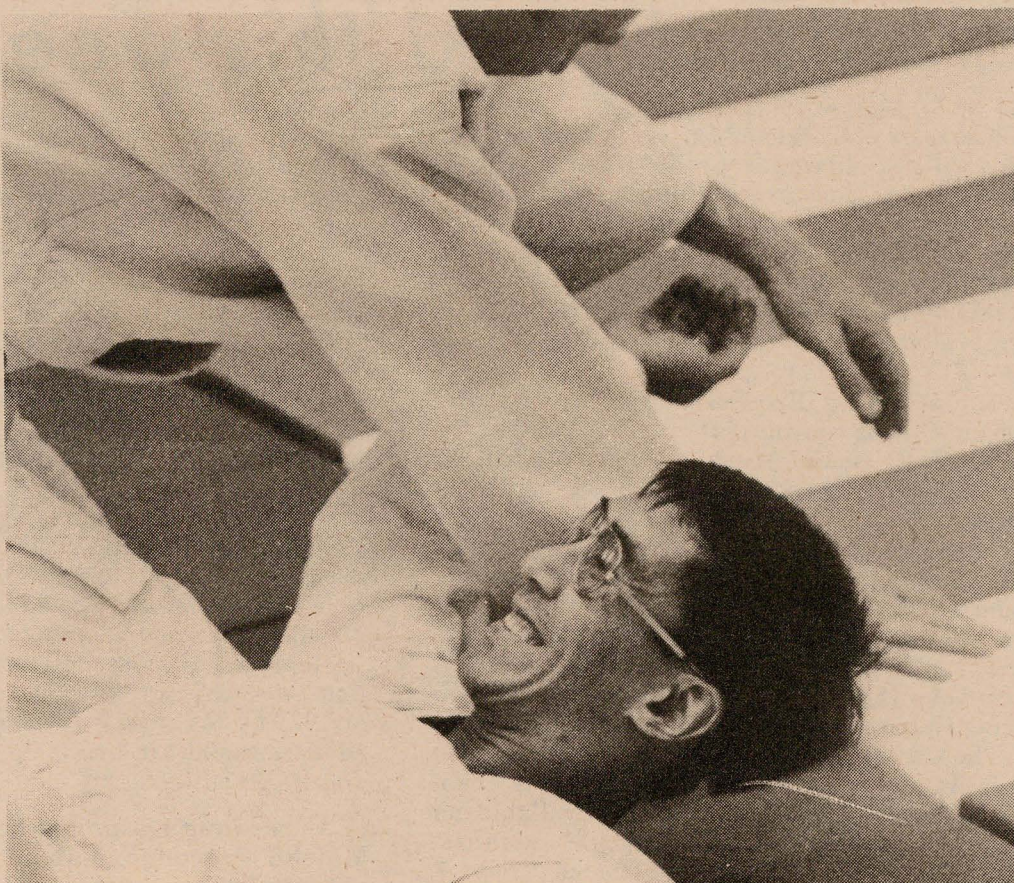
"It is like the mind is a power plant," he says, "and the Ki is electricity flowing through the arm."

According to Shiohira, students of Ki-Aikido first learn to work their bodies to outmaneuver attackers. As they get better, however, they must develop a mind and body coordination and concentrate on "extending their Ki's"

As a measure of the ability of an Aikido student to extend their Ki, the test for a black belt involves facing four attackers simultaneously. According to Decena, that test is so difficult that most never advance that far. He cites one case of a local man who finally received his black belt after years of practice. He was 70 years old.

Unlike other forms of martial arts, Decena claims that Ki-Aikido does not require great physical strength to overcome an opponent. For that reason, he insists that it is ideal for women as a means of self-defense.

Decena says that his group of Aikido students is openly looking for others to join them and urges anyone interested to contact him at 561-6087.



We've got to stop meeting like this

"Just wait till it's my turn!" That's what Capt. Ben Agustin seems to be

thinking as he hits the mat during a recent lunchtime class.

Time to spare

ITT means tours not telephones

"We're just like a travel agency," that's how Gabriel Best sums up the services provided them by Information, Tickets and Tours Office (ITT) at the Presidio Recreation Center.

Best notes that the center handles a variety of offerings ranging from do-it-yourself tours to weekend ski trips to Lake Tahoe.

As a part of those do-it-yourself tours, Best says that the center has many flyers and brochures on offerings throughout the local area as well as discounts to major attractions in other areas of the state.

Discount tickets here

He lists things like discounts for Disneyland, Universal Studios, Great America as some of those tickets as well as discounts for Bay area harbor cruises.

According to Best, the center also offers a number of discounts locally such as tickets to Giants baseball games and cultural events such as the upcoming China Exhibition on Sept. 19.

But the ITT also offers complete tour packages, notes Best. A recent tour, a canoe trip of the Russian River, was well attended, he says.

Tours offered

Upcoming offerings in tours include a trip to the California State Fair Sunday, and a trip up the Sacramento Delta in the near future.

Additionally, Best says that the center staff is now working on tours to the Napa valley between now and October during the wine harvesting season.

Best explains that the majority of the trip ideas come from the ITT staff, but notes, "We are open to all kinds of suggestions." He says that if someone has an idea for a trip, the ITT staff is more than happy to try to arrange it, but that the tour is dependent on adequate response from others on post.

For young soldiers

According to Best, most of the tour-goers are officers and come from LAMC and LAIR. "We just don't get enough of the younger troops," he says, "and that's our prime objective for being here."

For more information on any ITT offerings, Best suggests persons call 561-2000 after 4 p.m. daily.



Wash day

Costumed characters at the Renaissance Pleasure Faire demonstrate a medieval laundromat for visitors to the Black Point Forest attraction. The faire

runs on weekends through Sept. 7. Discount tickets are available through the Presidio Recreation Center. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Events abound this week

The state and regional finals for **Yo-Yo Olympics** will be held **tomorrow** at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Band Concourse in **Golden Gate Park**.

Also tomorrow **Count Basie** and **Sarah Vaughn** appear in concert at the **Concord Pavillion** at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$7.50 and reserved seats are \$10.50. Tickets are available through Ticketron and BASS outlets.

The **Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus** continues its performances at the Oakland Coliseum Arena through August 26. Call 585-1181 for a list of ticket prices and show times.

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring a tour to the **California State Fair** on **Sunday** from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. for \$5. Cost of the tour is for transportation only.

The Rec Center is also offering discount tickets for the **China Exhibition** at **Fort Mason** **Sept. 19** from 6 to 9 p.m. The tickets are \$4.

The Center also has box seats along the first base line for a number of upcoming **San Francisco Giants** games. Tickets are available for Giants-New York game Aug. 31, Giants-Philadelphia on Sept. 1, Giants-Montreal, Sept. 7, Giants-Houston Sept. 21 and Giants-San Diego Oct. 5. The tickets are \$5.

The comedy team of **Billy Jay, Bonzo and Friend**, one of San Francisco's hottest groups,

will perform at the Center Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

The Rec Center still has **Great America discounts** available. For every three tickets bought, you get one free. Tickets are \$8.

The Center also has **Reno hospitality books** available for \$1.25. By using the booklets a person can save up to \$40.

San Francisco Diner's Out booklets are also available at the Rec Center. The booklets cost \$16 and allow **two to eat for the price of one**.

For more information on any Rec Center programs or activities call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

The **Marin Quilt and Needlecraft show** opens Aug. 29 at the Marin Civic Center exhibition hall. Tickets are available through BASS. For more information call 472-3500.

Heart appears in concert at the Concord Pavillion **Tuesday and Wednesday** at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10.50 for reserved seats, \$8.50 for general admission and are available through Ticketron and BASS outlets.

An **antique show** is scheduled for the **San Mateo Fairgrounds Labor Day Weekend**. The show features everything from comics to automobiles. Admission is \$3.

Christopher Cross comes to the **Warfield Theatre** **Sept. 3** at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$9.50 and are available through BASS.

Sports

Shorts

Tourney planned

The Presidio Tennis club will hold a round-robin doubles fun day for all members and any persons interested in joining the club **Aug. 23 at 9 a.m.**

Persons interested in participating should be at court numbers 2 and 3 at the start time. Gift certificates will be awarded to first and second place finishers.

For more information contact either Jim Carroll at 561-4738 or Ann Regh at 556-9696.

League sign ups set

Winter bowling leagues are now being formed at the Presidio Bowling Center. For more information stop by the center or call 561-5042.

Presidio vs. TI

The Presidio softball team will play a doubleheader against the Treasure Island team at the Fort Scott Field **Aug. 28 at 5:30 p.m.**

Permits available

Tennis court usage permits are available for pick up at gym No. 1, Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

With this permit, the user has a valid claim to the court at the prescribed hour on the permit. This is designed to settle any problems if two groups arrive at the same time.

If problems can not be settled at court site, notify gym attendants at 561-4131 or call the military police at 561-2251.

Boxers wanted

A boxing program will start soon for those interested in training for intra-squad competition with various boxing clubs around the Bay Area and the FORSCOM boxing championships.

For more information call Jim Ragasa, 561-5328 at Gym No. 3, Bldg. No. 1226.

Crown try set

The 1980 Presidio Racquetball Championships for active duty military will be conducted Sept. 5 through 7 at the main post gym.

There will be three divisions consisting of seniors (36 years and over), open (any age), and women's (any age) with the top two finishers in each division eligible to represent the Presidio in the FORSCOM championships to be held at Fort Hood, Tex. Oct. 6-10.

Entry deadline for sign-up is close of business Sept. 2.

For more information contact SFC Funes, 561-5032 during duty hours.



Two-way traffic

A runner strides down Lincoln Blvd. on the first leg of the Baker to Baker Relay and Iron Person Race held Saturday. The race course ran from Fort Baker to Baker Beach and back. According to race

officials nearly 500 persons participated in the race and an estimated \$600 in proceeds will be donated to the San Francisco USO as a result. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidian wins FORSCOM single's tennis crown

Last week's FORMSCOM Western Regional Tennis Championship at Fort Lewis, Wash., saw the Presidio of San Francisco garner many victories.

In the open division, Presidio won the team single and doubles titles. The singles final was an all Presidio show. Nick Lapins, LAMC, defeated his partner Gary Jones, LAMC, 6-2, 6-4, 76. They had earlier in the day won the doubles title over a team from Hawaii 6-2, 6-4, 7-6.

In earlier rounds, Fred Burkert, WRRC, and Richard Karsh, LAMC, had been eliminated in singles and doubles competition. It was a quick tournament because it was single elimination.

In the junior vets division, the Presidio team of Thomas Egan, LAMC, and Karl (Bently)

Hill, Sixth Army, teamed together to take second place in the doubles competition. They lost to a Fort Lewis team 6-3, 7-6. In singles competition, Hill lost a close match to the champion, also from Fort Lewis 7-5, 7-5 in quarter-finals action. Egan made it to the finals in fine fashion but also met Redmond and was beaten 6-1, 6-4.

Senior entrant, Charles Hansen, LAMC, was edged out in the second round. The same fate was dealt to Barbara Zimov, LAMC, in the women's division.

Possible All-Army selections, to be determined by Department of the Army, include Lapins, Jones and Egan. These trials will be held at Fort Eustis, Va. Sept. 4-20.

Stinebaugh Army's top golfer

Jimmy Stinebaugh, USAG, ventured to Fort Meade, Md to try and make the All-Army Golf Team and won the senior division in convincing fashion last week by a seven stroke lead, shooting a score of 289 (69, 72, 77, 71). This placed him on the All-Army Team, again.

His next test will be the Interservice Golf

championships being held this week at Fort Meade. This should further enable Stinebaugh to do well, as he has had time to practice on this course. He is the defending Interservice Golf champ. With a victory, Stinebaugh will go out as a champion golfer since he will retire from active duty this year.

Presidio News Notes

Hours change

The Presidio Federal Credit Union will operate on limited office and teller hours Aug. 18 through 22. The office will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The credit union will close Aug. 25 and will not re-open until Sept. 2.

These moves are necessary to complete the merger with the Pentagon Federal Credit Union.

Full service hours return Sept. 2 as follows:

Office—8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tellers—9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Scout sign up set

Registration for new and returning Girl Scouts and Brownies will be held Aug. 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Community Center (Log Cabin).

Leaders and assistant leaders are needed for two Brownie troops and two junior troops. If leaders are not found for these groups, girls will be placed on a waiting list.

For more information contact Ginger Daniels at 561-3886 after 5 p.m.

Mich. bonus still open

A recent federal court ruling changing residency requirements for the state of Michigan Vietnam era bonus may mean money for soldiers. However the deadline for applying for the bonus is Sept. 30, 1980.

The Michigan Vietnam bonus will be given to soldiers who meet all of the following conditions:

- Entered military service as a citizen of a state other than Michigan, and
- While in service, became a resident of Michigan for at least six months after Jan. 1, 1961, and
- while a resident of Michigan, completed 190 days of honorable service between Jan. 1, 1961 and Sept. 1, 1973.

For further information, contact the Vietnam bonus section, department of military affairs, 2500 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, Mich., 48933, or call (517) 373-7320.

Michigan officials say beneficiaries may apply for the bonus on behalf of a deceased veteran.

Advance funds available

Soldiers using the do-it-yourself moving program (DITY) can now get cash advances to cover extra moving expenses.

The change, which became effective June 30, gives people moving under DITY some "up front" money to meet moving expenses, according to Mrs. Mary Guthrie of the Presidio finance office.

Previously, these advances were only available to those using moving equipment from a commercial rental agency. The agency covered the advance which was later repaid when the government paid the equipment rental fees.

Soldiers making DITY moves with privately



A black cat

This reverse print of a cat in water took the Photo of the Week honors for photographer John Green. His entry will now go on to compete in the quar-

terly competition. Your photo could be here next week. Just bring it by our newsroom, room 215, building 37.

owned trucks had to cover gas, oil and other road expenses with their own money. Once they finished the move, soldiers could then apply for reimbursement.

The Finance and Accounting Office will now pay authorized DITY advances, to those individuals using their POV.

Any soldier eligible to ship household goods at government expense may apply to use the DITY program for CONUS permanent change of station, temporary duty, retirement or separation moves.

Guthrie reminds soldiers interested in using DITY that they must go to the transportation office before coming to the finance office.

UN medal wanted

A Rancho Cordova man is asking Presidians to help him complete his collection of military medals.

Rex T. Rice, Sr., is looking for someone willing to donate a United Nations Medal to his collection of memorabilia.

Anyone wishing to help Rice should call him at 363-8206 or write to him at 3062 Swansea Way, Rancho Cordova, Calif. 95670.

Class available

A Leadership and Management Development Trainer's Course will be held at Ft. Ord from Oct. 3-31, 1980. Presidio has been allocated one space. The course is for soldiers E-6 through O-3 who are interested in assisting the Organizational Effectiveness Staff Officer in conducting Leadership and Management Development Courses (LMDC) for USAG upon successful completion and return. The LMDC is four days in length and is held quarterly. Applicants must be available to teach once per quarter and have one years retainability on PSF upon graduation.

Interested personnel should contact Capt. Welsh, at 561-6084/5730 for further information and personal interview.

We've moved

The Star Presidian newsroom has relocated to room 215 of building 37. All items and photos for publication in the Star Presidian should be brought to this room. For more information call 561-2005 or 561-3908.

Engineers building Ord air strip

by Bruce Rogers,
864th Engineers

Two platoons of Company D, 864th Engineers are currently supporting the 13th Engineer Battalion, from Fort Ord in constructing a C-130 assault airstrip at Fort Hunter Liggett located in Central California.

Nearly a mile long, the airstrip is being built up in six-inch lifts of fill materials followed by a final six inch lift of crushed rock. No asphalt will be placed on top, so that Air Force pilots will be able to practice assault landing training and consequently,

Army emergency deployment exercises using those flights will be free of cost.

Despite temperatures reaching 110 degrees and clouds of dust rising continually, the earthmoving platoon, supported by selected members of the maintenance platoon has kept on schedule with its support mission.

The heavy equipment employed by the earthmovers includes three tractor-scrappers, three graders, two water distributors, one dozer, one vibratory roller, one sheepfoot roller, one scoop loader, and five 20 ton dump-trucks.

The maintenance resources include a maintenance tent, a contact truck and a lube unit. In addition, parts supported from all project units is available.

Although problems associated with extended field duty have cropped up, the earthmovers feel that the training is beneficial since they can sharpen their equipment operation proficiency and cross train on pieces of equipment other than their specialty.

The project is scheduled to be completed on Aug. 27 and the first C-130 hopefully will land shortly thereafter.

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Soldier 'faces the music'

by Tom Tiernan

A Presidio soldier faced the music last week and ended up with more than \$8,000 in prizes.

For Sp5 Ken Juber, a photographer at the post photo facility, facing the music involved a two-day trip to Hollywood for the taping of a game show.

Juber's interest in appearing on "Face the Music" began last September when the program first came on the air. "I would sit at home and play against the other contestants. Since I was almost always winning I told my wife that if I could be on any show, Face the Music was the one I thought I could win on."

The 26 year old soldier's interest began to die when the program changed air time and he could no longer watch it. But in mid-July that all

changed. "I was reading the San Francisco Chronicle and spotted an ad which said, 'Win 10,000 per show.' So I called up and found out what I had to do is tryout."

Juber soon joined a group of other Bay Area residents at the three phase auditions. The first part of the test included trying to name as many of 21 songs played as possible. Juber got 16 right.

Phase two tested the individual's personality and the final stage included a mock version of the game.

After two days of testing, all that the prospective contestants were told was "if we were selected we would receive a call from the show."

On Aug. 15 Juber's phone rang. He was asked to fly to Hollywood for possible taping on Aug. 18 and 19. "Getting the phone call was still no guarantee that I would appear on the show," he

explained. "But I paid my way down and took the chance."

Juber arrived at the studio at 9:45 a.m. along with 40 other prospective contestants. The first hour of the day was spent filling out paperwork and signing contracts. And then the fun began.

The group was isolated in a locked studio where they were once again tested. "It was like being in basic training," Juber commented, "we kept going through these drills on what we would be doing on the show, to see how excited we could be and how high we could jump."

Taping of the first of six programs on the day's schedule began at 2:30 p.m. Six hours, 18 contestants and a cold pizza later Juber still hadn't been selected for the show.

The 22 remaining prospective contestants were joined the next morning by 15 others for another day in the locked studio. But today would be different for Juber. Ten minutes before the taping of the third show he was selected to appear.

"We were taken downstairs and given a briefing on what would be happening. Then all of a sudden the lights went up, the music began and the show was underway," Juber exclaimed.

"We had to introduce ourselves to Ron Ely, the show's host," Juber explained. "It was the first time we had met him during our stay."

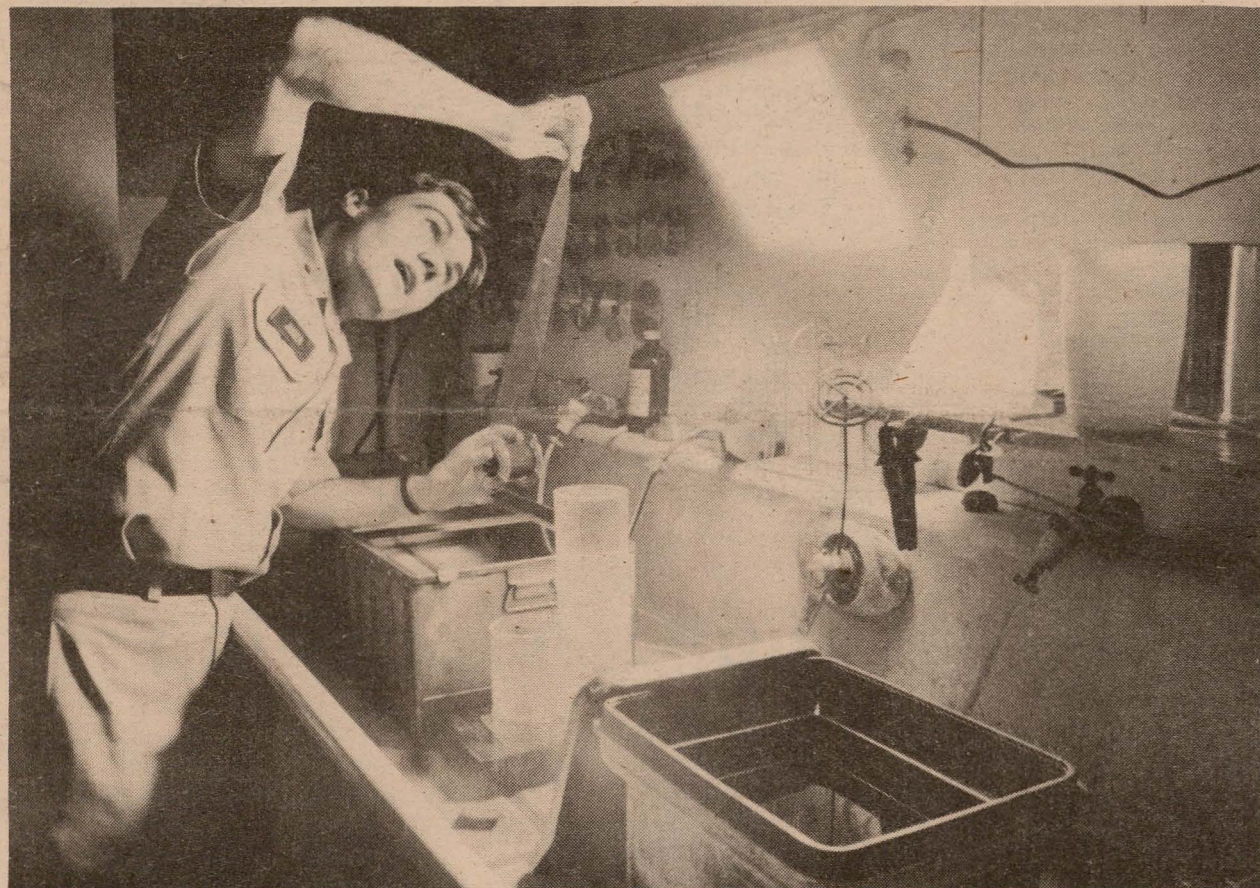
During the first phase of the show, which involves matching the faces of famous persons with songs Juber took the lead over his two opponents.

His lead held up during phase two when he had to listen to songs that described either a famous person, place or thing. During round three it was just Juber and one other candidate in a repeat of round two action and the soldier emerged with victory.

The final segment of the show involved Juber taking on the prior day's champion. The two competitors were shown a baby picture of a famous person while a song played in the background. If one of them guessed who the person was they would win \$10,000 in cash. Neither did.

The song to the next picture was "Viva Las Vegas," and Juber guessed Ann Margret and became the new champion and picked up \$5,000 in prizes.

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Winner

Sp5 Ken Juber examines some freshly processed film at the post photo lab. Juber recently won over \$8,000 in prizes on the game show, "Face the

Music." Ken's wife Tina also works at the photo lab.

(Photo by John Green)

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The Presidio pistol team is searching for new members.

Rising fuel cost force cancellation

Improvement project out

A project to replace kitchen sinks and cabinets in some Pershing area quarters has been cancelled due to a critical shortage of funds to cover the cost of rising utilities rates.

According to Mrs. Nely Bennetto, of the Presidio Housing Office, Department of the Army has directed all installations to cancel all other expenditures except for essential service to preserve the health and safety of quarters residents.

Repairs to family quarters will be made only on an emergency basis, states Mrs. Bennetto, who urges all Presidio residents to conserve energy.

"Not only are the residents losing this project, they are also spending their money, their tax dollars," points out Mrs. Bennetto.

Bennetto recommends that quarters occupants do their laundry, either in the morning or after 9 p.m. when electric use is down. Families should cut down on the number of heavy appliances used

during the summer afternoon hours and in the winter around dinner time.

Residents can also help save energy by closing windows near thermostats. Open windows will cool thermostats, causing furnace to overwork and overheat the rest of the quarters.

Residents who have fireplaces should close the damper when there is no fire burning.

Opening drapes on sunny days can help cut heating cost by using solar energy. And drapes should be closed at other times to help retain heat.

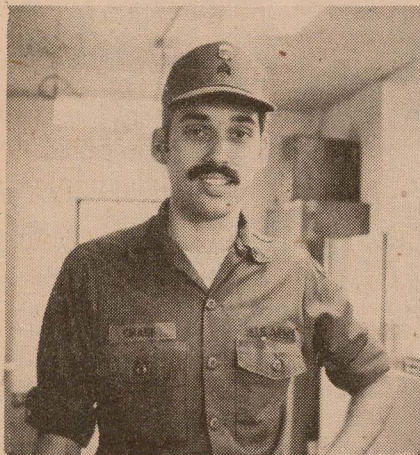
Turning off unnecessary lights or using low wattage bulbs in the hallway and bathroom when leaving them on all night.

There are many other common sense things residents can do to conserve energy, Bennetto urges all residents to find new ways to cut energy waste.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

Is the Rec Center meeting your needs?



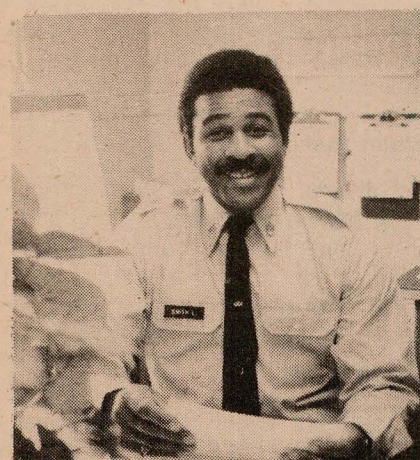
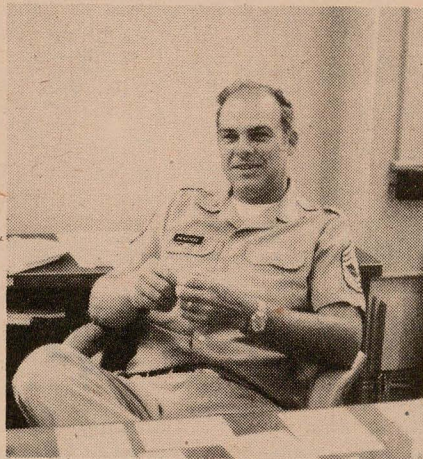
Sgt. Earl Chain, TMP—
"No, The Recreation Center should be open at a certain time during the normal duty hours so personnel could buy discount tickets. For example, opening the recreation center during lunch or a couple of hours before closing of the day. Outdoor Rec meets my needs renting equipment for the weekend."

Sp4 Robert Collins, Finance Center—
"Yes, The Recreation services are adequate especially the dance hop for Thursdays and Saturdays, plus their special weekend functions."



Sp4 Norman Trost, Training Section USAG—
"No, The Outdoor Recreation does not provide enough equipment for people to rent. I would like to see more boating and hunting equipment available for rental. But discount tickets at the recreation center is a service I use quite frequently."

MSgt. William Headings, USSAC—
"Yes, I would like to commend the workers at Outdoor Recreation, especially Fredrick Daniels on the outstanding service provided on the boats and trailer rentals."



SSgt. Lloyd Smith, NCOIC, TSO—
"Yes, by utilizing discount tickets for sports events, plus information is provided for upcoming games. I was also provided with information for trips to Reno. I'll like to see the Outdoor recreation serve people on a one to one basis for trailer rental, instead of being put on a waiting list with no hope in mind."

Buyers beware!

by C.W. Olsen
Fort Drum Sentinel

Are supermarkets and stores arranged for the customer's convenience?

Are more expensive products better than cheaper products?

Are products listed as new and improved better than the old one?

If you answered yes to any one of these questions, you may not be managing the continually dwindling resources of your paycheck.

To our first point, supermarkets and discount stores are arranged for the profits of the owners. The arrangements and displays are designed to stimulate purchases through packaging and traffic flow.

The principle is quite simple. The customer enters a store to pick up "just a few things." The "just a few things" are way in the back. By the time the customer arrives back at the register, the basket is filled with two bags of candy, some potato chips, a weekly newspaper, a can of oil... and somewhere in the \$15 total is the cost of the things the customer needed.

The next myth: the higher the price, the better the product. Consumer groups have checked this one out. In one test identical vodka was poured into differently labeled bottles. The higher priced bottles sold better. The companies are happy. The store owners are happy. Only

the consumer winds up on the losing end.

Finally, the new-and-improved sales technique. Most of us will sit in front of the TV and laugh at all the ads for the periodically "new improved" products. But look at the sales figures. Sales run in peaks following "new" editions.

So how can you arm yourself to fight a packaged world designed to get you to buy by gut reaction?

The answer lies in reading consumer guides before major purchases and by being a comparative shopper, one who checks before buying.

Public broadcasting stations carry a weekly series called "consumer survival kits." It provides a variety of consumer information.

Government consumer publications are available free or at nominal cost. For a catalog write to: Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.

So, there is hope. But all the consumer groups and reports are of no use if you can't resist the spell of the skillful packaging and display techniques.

Well, better go get just a few things in the store here. Let's see, I need eggs, milk and bread. Hey, here's some cookies that I used to like as a kid. And I better pick up some munchies for the show tonight. Just a few...

'What's happening?'

"Hey, what's happenin' baby?" That's what a recent editorial cartoon in a San Francisco newspaper showed as the response of two "All volunteer Army" soldiers as a general officer walked past them.

Saluting, answering yes sir or no sir, and other traditional signs of respect have been replaced in some cases by a wave and "What's happening man." Some soldiers go as far as calling officers by their first names.

The once feared sergeant is in many cases no longer regarded as a

While the cartoon was an exaggeration, or at least I hope it was, the attitude of many Presidio soldiers toward military bearing is beginning to border on total disregard.

person of authority, but rather treated as an equal with the attitude of "who are you to tell me what to do?"

Equal treatment has its place in the military. But lines of authority must remain clear. Respect for that authority must be unquestioned.

By the very definition of their jobs, officers and senior NCOs must retain the respect and authority in order to make the life and death decisions they must make in times of combat.

There is nothing wrong with a friendly-relaxed atmosphere between officers and enlisted. And this is certainly a need for such relations. However, it must not and should not border on total disregard for the individual's rank.

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Attorney wants women in combat

Ms. Renee Rubin, a California Court of Appeals attorney, called upon the American people to accept the drafting of **women** into the Armed Service and into **combat roles**.

A reserve Air Force colonel, Rubin made her remarks during the Presidio's Women's Day observance held at the NCO/EM Club on Tuesday.

Rubin said she felt that to deny women a combat role was to deny them the opportunity to perform the greatest act of patriotism. "To be

injured in defense of one's country is the greatest sacrifice a nation can ask of its citizens..." Rubin stated.

A former special agent while on active duty with the Air Force Office for Special Investigation, Rubin also praised the military for their long list of achievements in the area of equal rights for women.

During the luncheon the Federal Women's Committee also presented their Man and Woman of the Year Awards.

Mr. Robert A. Joy, post equal opportunity officer was honored for his efforts on and off duty on the behalf of Presidio women.

The Woman of the Year, Mrs. Lutrace Farr of the Defense Investigation Service, was honored for her efforts as Federal Women's Program coordinator and for seeing that six women were hired as agents in the formerly all-male area.

The luncheon marked the 60th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment to the Constitution which gave women the right to vote.

SMA Connelly to visit Presidio Sept. 5

Sergeant Major of the Army, William A. Connelly will visit the Presidio Sept. 5-8.

During his visit, Connelly will speak with Presidio soldiers during two talks scheduled for the Post theater.

Connelly will address all E-7s and above at 10 a.m. Sept. 5 and all E-6s and below at 1 p.m. on the same day.

CSM Charles O. George, post sergeant major, encourages all soldiers to take the opportunity to hear Connelly speak.

A native of Georgia, Connelly served as FORSCOM sergeant major until his selection to his present post in July of 1979.

As the Army's senior noncommissioned officer, Connelly reports directly to the Army Chief of

staff on matters affecting the morale and welfare of enlisted soldiers throughout the Army.

A veteran of more than 20 years service Connelly is a 1973 graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy. He also holds a commission as a captain in the Army reserve.

Connelly's awards include three Bronze Star Medals for Valor, the Meritorious Service Medal, and two Air Medals for Valor.

NCO's with less than 16 years

Army seeks more club managers

The Army is seeking E-5's, E-6's and E-7's with less than 16 years of service to fill openings in the club management career program, according to Milpercen.

Those who apply and are accepted into the program will attend the club management school where they'll learn the basics of operating a club. After graduation, they will be assigned as a club manager (MOS OOJ).

Club managers develop and manage food, beverage and entertainment programs, along with club administration duties, officials explained.

On-the-job training continues throughout the manager's career, said officials. Executive level courses, and continuing education workshops and seminars, are available.

Although prior experience in food service, business administration and financial management are not requirements, officials noted these skills will help soldiers entering the career program.

Presidio soldiers interested in applying for the program should contact MSgt. William Parrish at COMPACT at 561-4405.



This is the bunker Wayne built

SSgt. Wayne Redmond, Company D., 864th Engineers, takes aim from a bunker he built as a training aid for his Fort Scott Unit. The site allows unit personnel to see and examine first hand the type of field fortifications they would be expected to build in a combat situation. Although not to scale the placement of the three different types of barbed wired obstacles provides the soldiers with an example of the use of the wire as well as techniques such as trip wires, noise makers, claymore mines and gass. Redmond

feels that being able to occupy a fighting position and see the devices stimulates the soldiers imagination and interest in training. The bunker is just part of a new training center being built by the engineers. When completed the center will provide a collection of training aides set up in a matter similar to SQT sites. Use of the area can be obtained by calling Redmond or SSgt. Ivie at 561-4744.

(Photo by Steve Spigelman, 864th Engineers)

Pair injured

A two car collision on Infantry Terrace Friday evening sent two passengers to Letterman Army Medical Center where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

According to 1st Lt. William Foster of the post Provost Marshal's office, MSgt. Wardell Bailey of the Western Region Recruiting Command was entering Infantry Terrace from Fisher Loop when the car he was driving struck an automobile driven by Sarah Royce.

Two passenger's in Ms. Royce's car, Paul and Jacqueline Royce, were taken to LAMC for treatment of the injuries they received in the crash. He was treated for an unspecified chest pain while she was treated for a laceration above the right eye and pains in the neck and collar bone area.

A LAMC spokesman said both were released early Friday evening.

According to Foster, no one has yet been cited in the accident which remains under investigation by the MP's.

Blood donations down

The third quarter blood drive at the Presidio has continued the trend towards substantial numbers of donations, according to Mrs. Jessie Sam, blood drive coordinator for the installation.

Mrs. Sam says that the one day drive at the NCO/Enlisted Club and the Education Center netted **337 units of blood** for the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of San Francisco, the major supplier of blood to Letterman Army Medical Center.

"We still hope to go over the 400 unit mark for this quarter," she continued. "There are 35 members of the 170th Military Police Company who missed the Aug. 19 drive. We've arranged for them to go to Irwin on Sept. 17 to donate. We'll also get credit for Presidio donors when Letterman has its drive."

The trend for 1980 is keeping pace with the pace set for the Presidio during 1979, added Sam. To date, 1159 units of blood have been donated this year.

"We thank everybody concerned—donors, volunteers and supervisors," concluded Sam. "Without everybody's help, it would be impossible to succeed."



'We're all playing in the same band'

Members of the Sixth Army band run through a rehearsal of the program they will be playing during their upcoming 10-day tour of Alaska.

Band tunes up for trip to Alaska

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

"We're all playing in the same band," is what members of the Sixth Army Band might be singing as they spend 10 days touring the wilds of Alaska.

According to 1st Lt. Tony Cason, the band's upcoming Alaska tour is "a total force effort" and may include not only active duty members of the band but a "pick up team" including musicians from the 91st Division, a local Army National Guardsman and members of the Alaska Air Guard.

The band is scheduled to leave on their tour Sept. 19 for a series of community relations con-

certs throughout the state.

The trip, according to Cason, involves "a lot of hard work." He notes that the members will be lugging all their instruments on and off of C-130 aircraft each day.

At one stop, Gamble in the Bering Straights, the bandsmen must carry their equipment onto the island which is free of vehicles.

Much of the hard work, though, for the tour is going on right now, says Cason. The band is spending a "full" two weeks in rehearsal and new bandmaster CWO 2 John Dunlap is just now putting the finishing touches on the music for the trip.



Taking five

Sp4 Tom Davis took them literally when they said, "Take five," Davis and other members of

the band are scheduled to depart Sept. 19 on their Alaska tour.



Kettle King

Could this be the next Buddy Rich? Sp4 Richard Tang pounds out the beat during a rehearsal of the William Tell Overture, part of the program for the Alaskan tour. The tour will mark the debut of new bandmaster CWO2 John Dunlap.

Tracy vets are food watchdogs

by Doug Imberi,
Defense Depot-Tracy

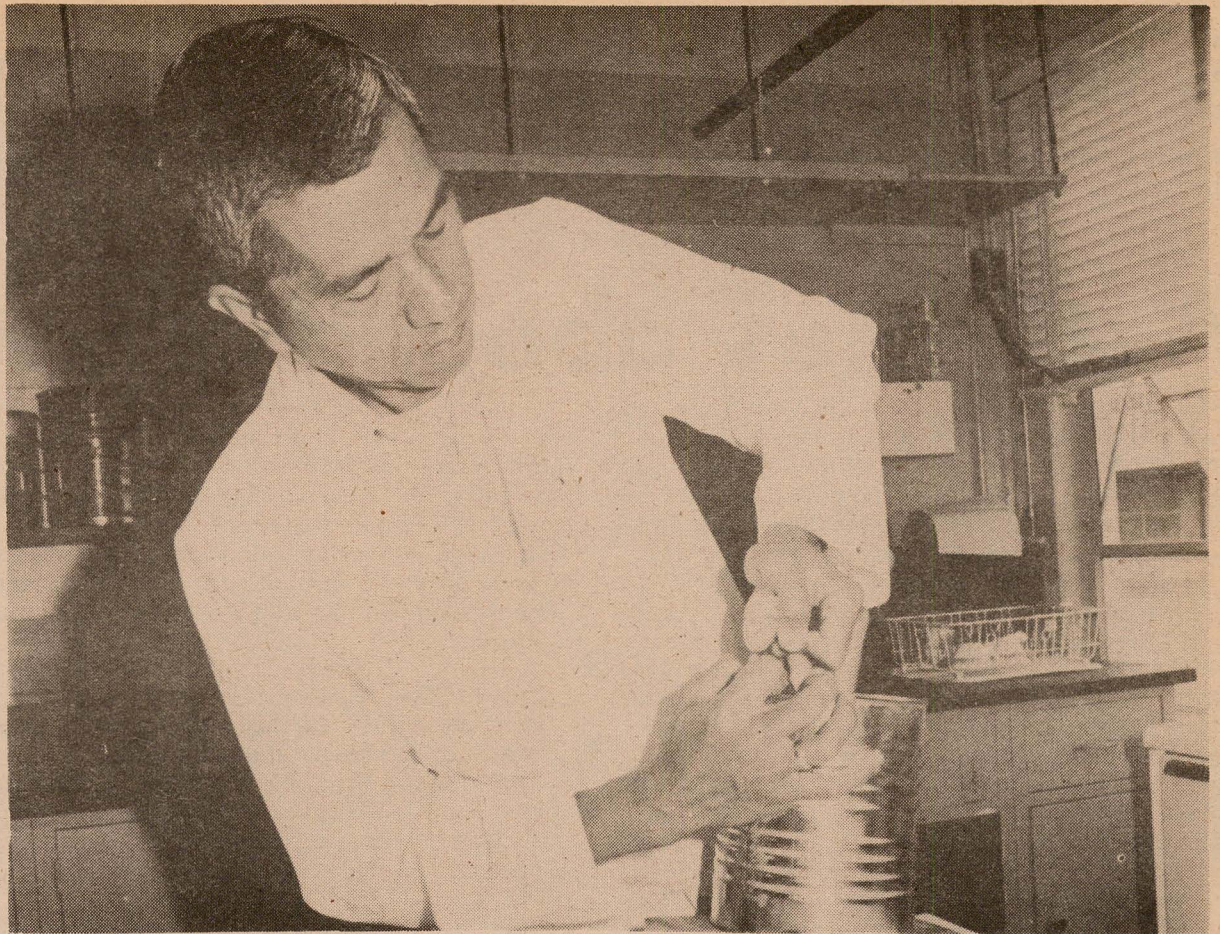
Assuring that the food purchased by the federal government to feed military troops and their dependents is wholesome is the job the Tracy Veterinary Branch, a tenant activity of Defense Depot Tracy, Calif.

The branch is composed of nine food inspectors and two civilians who are part of the Letterman Army Medical Center's Veterinary Activities.

The Tracy folks concentrate on inspecting food issued for distribution to dining facilities received, stored and issued from the Defense Logistics Agency's west coast depot. Food samples are randomly selected from lots and checked for wholesomeness and quality. "If an inspector is performing a receipt inspection and the inspection results indicate a nonconforming lot, the vendor will either have to rework or replace the shipment," says SFC Thomas S. Farmer, Jr., NCOIC of the Veterinary Branch.

The food inspectors perform approximately 1150 inspections per month on the average of 18 million pounds of food products received at the depot.

"In performing receipt and surveillance inspections..." says SSgt. Randy Lessenger, the surveillance inspector, "... we make a routine inspection for obvious defects in packing, packaging, markings, container defects, vacuum, taste, odor and color. We advise the depot on the wholesomeness of the product, so in some instances, we can extend the expiration date on a product. Although some products may have exceeded the recommended shelf life, it does not mean it is unfit."



Checking it out

Quality assurance specialist with the Defense Depot Tracy Pete Padron inserts a gauge into a canned food product to determine the amount of vacuum within. (Photo by Dick Coffey)

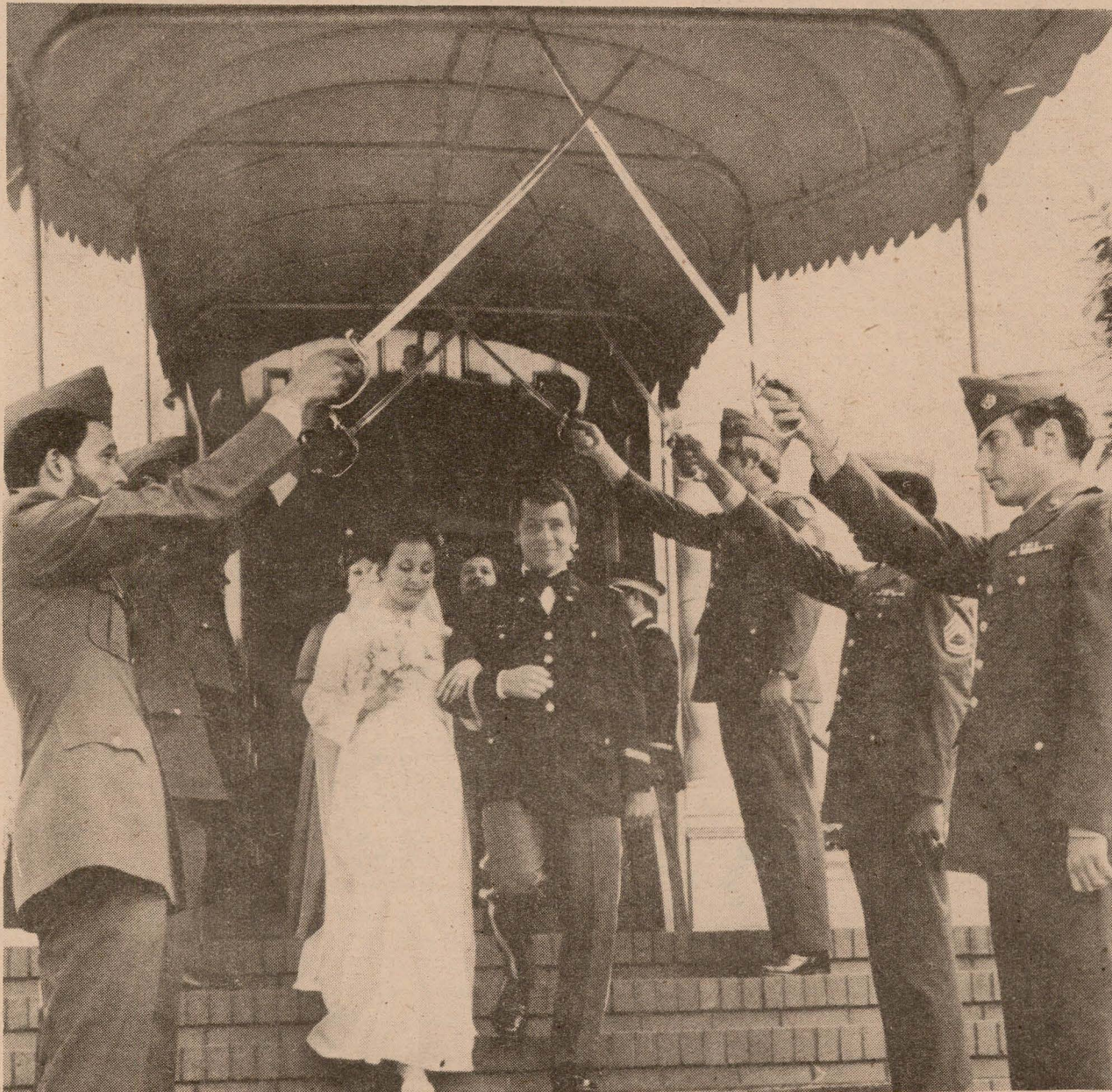
The vets also have the responsibility of inspecting brand name subsistence items which are received and shipped by the Direct Commissary Support System at Tracy.

Routine sanitary inspections of commercial food establishments are performed by Farmer. The food plants are graded on a detailed scale that includes such things as lighting, cleaning and sanitizing treatments, temperature, construction of food handling equipment, proper labeling and storing of chemical agents, processing methods, storage methods and personal hygiene. If the companies do not pass the sani-

tary inspection with a score of 90 percent, they are given 30 days to make the improvements. After 30 days the plants are reinspected. If the noted deficiencies were not corrected the company fails and is removed from a central directory listing, which is a buyer's list for armed forces procurement.

"We perform a complete food hygiene, safety and quality assurance program that ranges from a detailed product inspection to plant sanitation, thus making sure that the troops in the field are getting the most wholesome products possible, while simultaneously protecting the financial interests of the government," concludes Farmer.

Reservist brings back more than memories



Right this way

Capt. Peter Smith and his bride, Toni, head out of the post chapel after their wedding last week.

Smith had the ceremony performed during his two-week summer camp here.

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

Most reservists bring back memories from their two-week summer active training, but a reserve captain has come back from summer camp 1980 with quite a bit more than memories.

Capt. Peter Smith of the 408th Finance Section decided to have a full dress military wedding while his unit was manning the model finance office here last week.

Smith, an assistant finance manager for Hughes Aircraft, explains that the idea for the wedding on his active training came after his first trip to the Presidio last year.

"I thought that the Presidio and the post chapel were really beautiful," Smith explains. So he and his bride, Toni, decided to get married when his unit returned to the Presidio for active training again this year.

Smith says that they decided to have a military wedding—complete with the archway of crossed sabers—simply because he had never taken part in one.

"The whole unit really enjoyed it," he says.

The 408th, headquartered at Fort MacArthur in San Pedro, is one of several reserve finance offices that have handled the pay and finance records of more than 2000 active duty soldiers on post this summer.

Of the model finance office training, Smith, who serves as the 408th headquarters commander, says, "It is the best training in the nation. We are operating just as if the balloon went up and we had to come on active duty and run a finance office."

He contrasts that with the normal summer training for reserve units where Smith says someone is always "looking over their shoulders."

A 66-man contingent from the 408th had arrived Aug. 17 to man the model finance office. They departed Saturday.

Time to spare

Activities abound for weekend

A **Quilt and Needlecraft Show** opens **tomorrow** at the Marin Civic Center Exhibition Hall from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The show features award winning exhibits, films, demonstrations and fashion shows. The show continues through Monday. Tickets are available through BASS.

Also **tomorrow**, the **Paul Bunyan Days** celebration begins at Fort Bragg. A dance starts the activities off **tomorrow** at 9 p.m. The festival continues through the weekend with a bazaar, fuschia show and old fashioned dress review **Saturday** and a logging show **Sunday**. The Paul Bunyan Days conclude **Monday** with a grand parade scheduled for noon. For more information call (707) 964-9623.

The **Festival of the Sea** will be held at the National Maritime Museum at the **Aquatic Park Saturday and Sunday** from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Concerts, demonstrations, regattas, films and lectures and exhibits highlight the activities. Admission is free. Call 556-6435 for more information.

The Santa Rosa Fairgrounds will be the site of the **115th Annual Scottish Gathering and Games this weekend**. Pipe bands from across

the Pacific Coast and Canada will perform and participants in the Western Highland Dancing and the U. S. Caber Tossing Championships will compete. The games start at 7:30 a.m. Saturday and 8:30 a.m. Sunday. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. Tickets are available through BASS. Call 835-4342 for more information.

An **art fair** featuring the works of more than 100 artists runs **Saturday and Sunday** at **Kings Mountain** firehouse and community center at 13889 Skyline Blvd. Works in oils, silk screens, toyus, batik and other assorted mediums will be on display from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days. Admission is free. For more information call 851-0965.

A variety of activities are slated for the Labor Day weekend in Golden Gate Park. The **43rd Annual San Francisco County Fair and Flower Show** opens Friday at 10 a.m. and continues through Sunday. The show is billed as the **largest of its kind anywhere** in the West and will be held in the park's Hall of Flowers near 9th Ave and Lincoln Way. Admission is \$2 for adults.

Sunday the **Midsummer Music Festival** stages its last performance in the Sigmund Stern Grove with a concert by three of the city's top jazz groups, the Turk Murphy Jazz Band, and Larry Vuchovich Contemporary Ensemble and the Jimmy Price Big Band. The free concert starts at 2 p.m.

Labor Day will be a **free day** at the **Japanese Tea Gardens** in the park. The garden will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday.

The finals of the **Fifth Annual San Francisco International Stand-up Comedy Competition** will be held in the **Warfield Theatre** Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$10 and are available through BASS outlets.

An **antique show** is scheduled for the **San Mateo Fairgrounds Labor Day Weekend**. The show features everything from comics to automobiles. Admission is \$3.

The **Renaissance Pleasure Faire** continues this weekend in the Black Point Forest in Novato. The **Presidio Recreation Center** has discount tickets for the faire which closes Sept. 7. Call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily for more information.

The Rec Center also has discount tickets to the **China Exhibition** on Sept. 19 from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$4.

Box seat tickets along the first base line at upcoming Giants games are also being offered by the Rec Center. The games include **Giants-New York** on Friday, **Giants-Philadelphia** on Monday, **Giants-Montreal**, Sept. 7, **Giants-Houston**, Sept. 21 and **Giants-San Diego**, Oct. 5. The tickets are \$5.

The Rec Center still has **Great America discounts** available. For every three tickets bought, you get one free. Tickets are \$8.

The Center also has **Reno hospitality books** available for \$1.25. By using the booklets a person can save up to \$40.

San Francisco Diner's Out booklets are also available at the Rec Center. The booklets cost \$16 and allow **two to eat for the price of one**.

A class titled, "Mind Engineering through Relaxation and Hypnosis," is set for Tuesday at the Rec Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Billy Jaye, Dr. Gonzo and Steve Pearl—of the city's hottest comedy teams—will perform at the center Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is 50¢.

For more information on any Rec Center programs or activities call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

Classes in **needlework techniques** begin Sept. 10 at the Fort Mason. The classes, sponsored by the YMCA, will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. The class instructor, **Ria Henselyn**, was educated in needlework in the Netherlands. For details contact the Central YMCA at 885-0460.

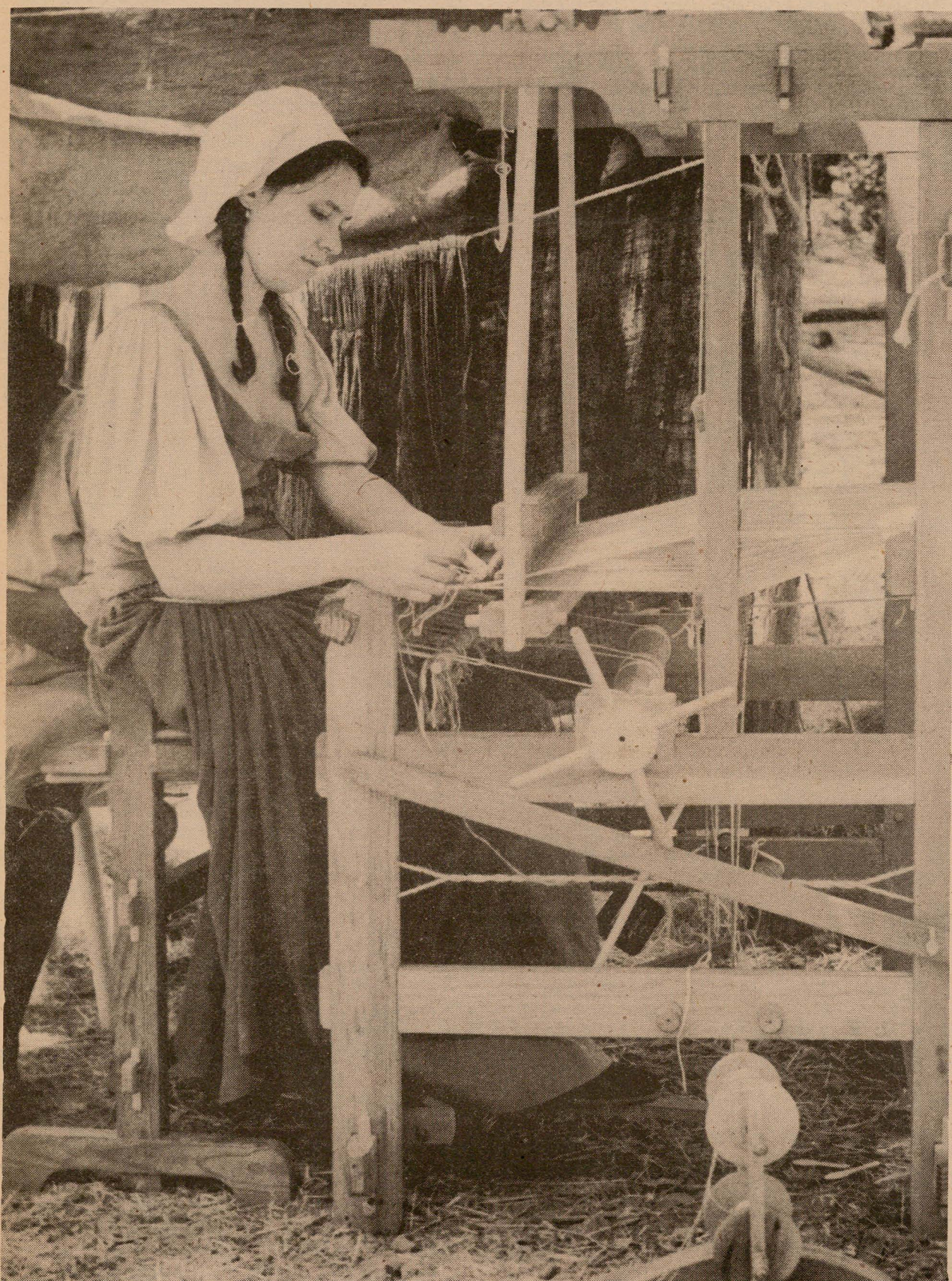
The San Francisco USO is hosting an open house Sept. 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. The USO center is located at 530 Taylor St. between Geary and Post.

Christopher Cross comes to the **Warfield Theatre** Sept. 3 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$9.50 and are available through BASS.

Tickets are now on sale for the **John Denver** concert scheduled for 8 p.m. on Sept. 19 in the **Oakland Coliseum**. Seats are \$8.50, \$10 and \$12.50. Tickets are available through BASS and Ticketron.

Count Basie and his orchestra will appear at the **Great American Music Hall** Sept. 10 at 8 and 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$11 and are available through BASS outlets. The Great American Music Hall is located at 859 O'Farrell.

Don Williams appears with **Johnny Paycheck** at the **Circle Star Theatre** in San Carlos Sept. 28 at 4 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.75 and are on sale through Ticketron and BASS outlets.



Weaver

This maiden weaves material on an old fahsion loom at the Renaissance Pleasur Faire at Black

Point Forest in Novato. The faire concludes Sept. 7, is located on route 37. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Sports

Shorts

Tryouts slated

Tryouts for the San Francisco Merionettes Synchronized Swim Team will be held Sept. 12 at 5 p.m. at the Larsen Pool on 19th Ave. and Wawona St.

Rated as one of the top ten synchronized swimming teams in the United States, the Merionettes have operated under the auspices of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department over the past 20 years.

According to team manager Ray Debono, the qualifications for young women include a basic knowledge of swimming and a desire to improve. He stresses that all candidates must be 10 years old or under.

Debono and head coach Lona Albano will conduct the tryouts and explain the program. Swimmers must be accompanied by a parent and should bring a swim suit and towel.

League sign ups set

Winter bowling leagues are now being formed at the Presidio Bowling Center. For more information stop by the center or call 561-5042.

Boxers wanted

A boxing program will start soon for those interested in training for intra-squad competition with various boxing clubs around the Bay Area and the FORSCOM boxing championships.

For more information call Jim Ragasa, 561-5328 at Gym No. 3, Bldg. No. 1226.

What's in a name?

Editor's Note: Due to space limitations the Star Presidian was unable to print the names of the Presidio All-Star team which won the first Oakland Army Base tourney or the members of the champion USAG softball team. So here they are

Basketball	Otis Gentry
Stanley Moss	Glean Turner
Billy Williams	Gene Sparrow
Robert Clipper	Robert Moffett
Anthony Bradley	James Poole
John Davis	Bob Garrison
James Allen	Wilbert Darby
Steven Shaw	Valentin Deleon
Clyde Hankerson	Michael Morrales
Henry Dillard	Larry Parker
James Jacobs	Anthony Reaves
	Donald Munn
Softball	Michael Coatney
Carlton Miles	Betty Smith

Sports office moved

The Sports Admin Office has moved to building 63. The telephone number, 561-4120 remains the same.



Home on the range

Sp6 Howard Semey of the Presidio Pistol Team draws a bead during a practice session at the range at Fort Scott. Semey and other members of

the team are looking for other shooters to round out the pistol team. For active duty soldiers who participate, all expenses are paid by the team.

Pistol team shoots it up

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

"It's knowing that I can lift that thing out there and put a little hole right where I want it in the target." That's how Pvt. Rusty Rogers describes his attraction to a sport that few probably realize exists at the Presidio—match pistol shooting.

In a building behind the barracks at Fort Scott, members of the Presidio pistol team practice every Monday and Wednesday evening honing their skills for future competition throughout the area.

According to SSgt. D.Q. Huffman, the pistol team spends both nights shooting a "normal national match" which consists of 100 rounds fired from .22, .38 and .45-caliber match pistols.

That firing is broken down into three phases, explains Huffman. "Slow fire" gives the shooter a full 10 minutes to squeeze off 10 rounds at the target. During a "timed fire" sequence, shooters fire at a rate of 5 rounds per 20 seconds and during "rapid fire" they must pump five rounds in 10 seconds.

The aim of all that practice, according to Huffman, is to get the team ready for area and ultimately FORSCOM competition.

"We only send out those people who are ready," says Huffman. He claims that most people would have to work three or four weeks before they reached a point where they could compete.

When they start competing, Huffman notes they compete only in their own class—sharpshooter, marksman and expert—based upon their skill and experience.

Many of the local competitions are held right at the Presidio range and are sponsored by the civilian Presidio Gun Club, Huffman says.

The pistol team is now trying to build itself up, according to Capt. Ben Agustin, post training officer. He says that the team presently has only one five-men team for competition and is trying to find other shooters to fill at least one more team.

"If an active duty soldier wants to participate," Agustin says, "there's really no expense to him."

He explains that all the pistols and ammunition are provided as well as funds for entry and travel fees for competitions.

Presidians interested in joining the team, Huffman says, should contact him at 561-3089.

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School reopens

The Presidio Preschool/Kindergarten will reopen Sept. 2. Morning care is available beginning at 7 p.m. Preschool classes begin at 8:30 a.m. Parents should make sure that the school has their child's current health record. For further information call 561-4805.

Welcome coffee set

The Protestant Women of the Chapel bible study group will hold a welcome coffee Sept. 9 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the religious education center. The post nursery will provide free child care for those children over six months of age, to make a reservation for child care call 561-3588. For more information about the bible study group call Mrs. Doreen Roksvaag at 561-4159.

Women plan year

The Letterman Women's Club is beginning an exciting new year of programs and activities for its membership.

Monthly luncheons are held on the second Thursday of each month. Speakers and programs of interest to all are featured at each luncheon. Funds are donated to several Army service organizations.

Membership in Letterman Women's Club is open to the following:

- Adult dependents of officers and active duty female officers assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center or Army medical organizations within the vicinity.
- Adult dependents of medical or retired officers on duty outside the immediate area.
- Members of the Presidio Officers' Wives Club, female civilian personnel and wives of civilian personnel assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center, Letterman Army Institute of Research, and Dental activity with a rating of GS-7 or above are eligible for associate.

The Letterman Women's Club is an active group of women involved in a number of interesting and beneficial programs. Persons interested in signing up may do so at the membership and activities coffee, Sept. 11 at 10:00 a.m. held in the Presidio's Officers Club or call Linda Orecchia, membership chairman, at 561-2624.

ROA to meet

The Reserve Officers Association, Chapter 6, will resume activities with a meeting on Sept. 4 at the Presidio Officers Club. Plans for the coming year will be discussed and members will honor Col. George Swett, recently retired Commander of Sixth U. S. Army Mobilization Group.

Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30. For reservations, \$7.50 per person, make your check to "ROA" and send to Col. Angus Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland 94611.

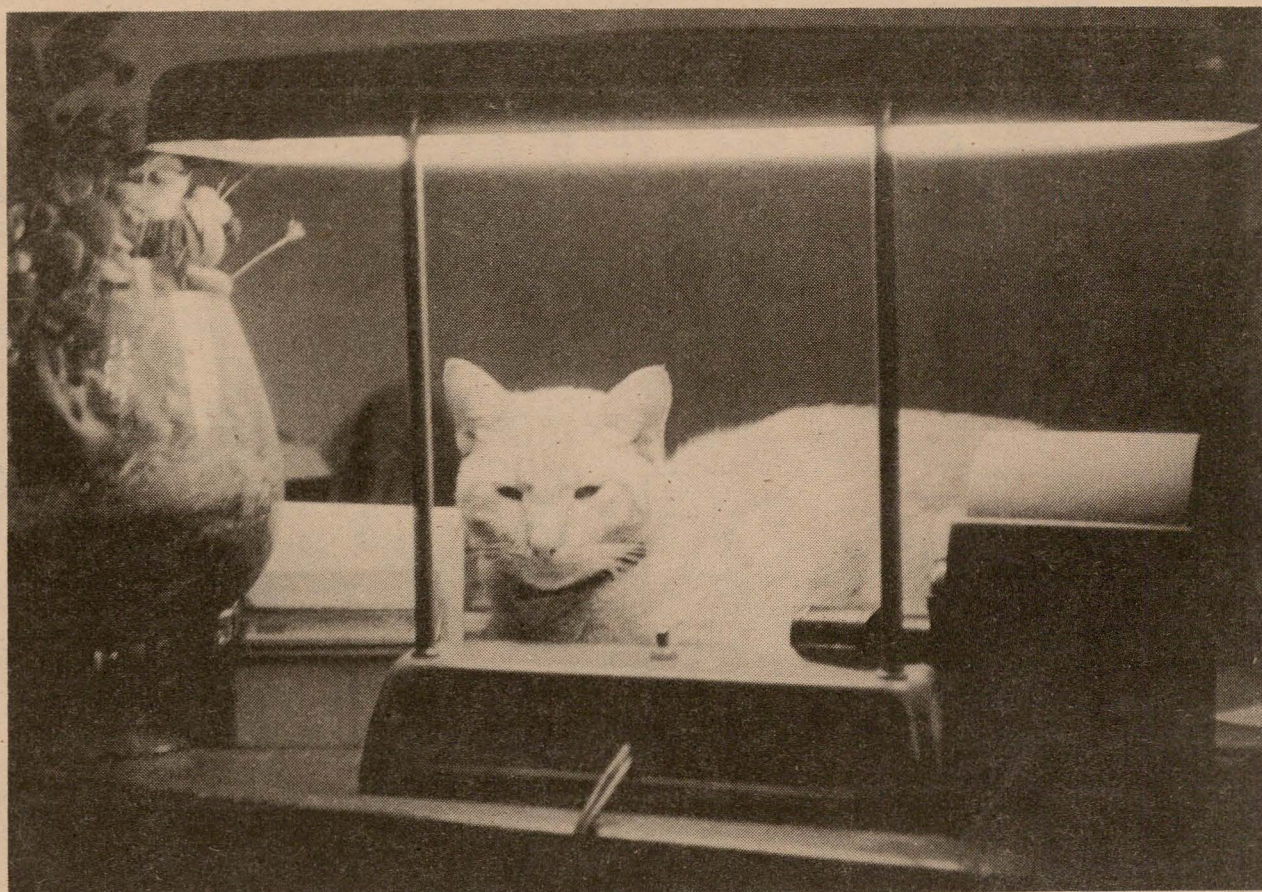
Music

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After a short break, taping of game number four began with the introduction of Juber as the current champion. He defended his crown by guessing Miri Griffin at the \$3,000 level.

During game five neither Juber or his opponent could guess the name of the individual by the time they reached the \$1,000 level so a tie breaker was held. Juber won.

The sixth of the seven shows to be taped that day marked the soldiers downfall as his opponent



Working late

Steve Spiegelman caught this kitty working a little overtime recently. His efforts drew Photo of the Week honors. His entry will now go on to

compete in the quarterly competition. Your photo could be here next week. Just bring it by our newsroom, room 215, building 37.

Coopes wins race

This month's fun run race featured an unusually sunny day, a scenic course and a surprising result in the women's event. There are some talented women runners on post and this race saw two of them hook up.

Valerie Coopes, LAIR, has performed consistently over the past years as the top female runner on post showing she has strong endurance. But a newcomer to the post, Linda Wettstein, LAMC, cruised to an easy victory over Coopes in a personel best of 20:51 over the 5,000 meters route. Coopes finished the run with a time of 22:33, which is normally sufficient to win the women's division.

This should prove to be an interesting friendly rivalry between these two improving women runners. Wettstein has improved vastly and has shown to others what consistent training can do.

The men's event saw Jim Moore, LAIR stride to an easy victory over fellow LAIR mate, Tom Nemeth, 17:46 to 18:38.

The next race will be held Sept. 17 starting at the main post gym building 63 at noon.

New counter open

A new military airlift command customer service counter at JFK International Airport is now in operation, according to MAC officials.

The new service counter is located at Pan American (PAN AM) Airlines at JFK, bringing the total of MAC assistance points at the airport to two. The other MAC counter is located at the Trans World Airlines (TWA) desk.

Clinics scheduled

Free blood pressure screening is available to the public at locations throughout San Francisco. The clinics, run by the Golden Gate Chapter of the Red Cross, identify any potential problems of high blood pressure in people.

It is estimated that one out of seven Americans suffers from high blood pressure. Called the silent killer, it can cause sudden strokes and heart attacks.

Times and locations of the Red Cross Clinics are:

*Second and fourth Mondays of each month from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Golden Gate Chapter Red Cross headquarters, 1550 Sutter St.

*Second and fourth Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Downtown Senior Citizens Center, 465 O'Farrell.

*Fourth Tuesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Cogswell College, 600 Stockton St.

*Third Friday of each month from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Red Cross Mission Center, 3225 21st St.

Blood pressure screening takes about ten minutes. For further information on the clinics, telephone the Golden Gate Chapter of the American Red Cross at 776-1500.

friends to see is something I may never get the chance to do again."

Juber, part of a husband and wife photographer team, was a little disappointed, however. "The prizes I will receive were based on the retail price. I've been out looking and have found that the actual value is somewhere around \$4,500 and I might have to pay taxes on \$8,000.

So, I am going to have to sell several items to pay the taxes in order to keep a few."

The shows are scheduled to be aired during the last two weeks of October.

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DEERS enrollment underway

Officials of the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System have begun adding the names of dependents of active duty soldiers to their rolls.

To help make the process go more smoothly, DEERS project officer, 1st. Lt. Sheilia Domingues, recommends that soldiers start locating the documents they will need to enroll their dependents.

According to Domingues soldiers should bring their **marriage certificates, children's birth certificate** plus a certified copy of a court and birth certificate for adopted children.

For **illegitimate children** soldiers need a court order or USAFAC 2788 and birth certificate.

For **children between 21 and 23** who are attending school, soldiers need a certificate of school enrollment and birth certificate.

For **children over 21 with a physical or mental handicap**, soldiers should bring a statement from a medical officer indicating that the handicap occurred prior to the 21st birthday, the period of incapacity plus the individual's birth certificate.

To enroll dependent parents or parents-in-law, a letter from the finance and accounting office determining dependency is needed.

All ID cards issued to dependents must be presented at registration.

Another requirement, says Domingues is that all **foreign language documents must be accompanied by a translation.** "This doesn't mean that the individual has to go out and spend \$15 for translation service. If his wife or someone he knows can speak the language, then all he has to do is have them translate and have the company commander or an officer in his chain of command sign it attesting to the fact that it is a valid translation."

Zerox copies of documents are acceptable if originals are not available, DEERS officials point out.

Enrollment for dependents of active duty military will be done on a unit by unit basis, according to Domingues. Soldiers should not come to the DEERS office unless instructed to do so by unit personnel.

DEERS officials will be traveling to some units while others will have to come to the office.

At press time DEERS office has processed about 5,000 retiree enrollments to date.

Active duty enrollment to be concluded by the end of October.



No! Your dogs don't qualify

Mrs. Betty Wolfe of the DEERS office goes over the enrollment paperwork with a soldier.

November may see hiring freeze thaw

Department of the Army (DA) officials recently announced that the federal hiring freeze, imposed since Feb. 29 will likely last until November.

According to Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel officer for Presidio, the freeze was imposed in an effort to slow down inflation and reduce the 1981 budget. Since then, the hiring restrictions have affected all DoD full-time permanent direct hire job positions, including local national positions overseas, and transfers of employees between executive branch agencies.

To carry out the program, a one-for-two hiring formula was developed. This stated that for every two employees lost from DoD, agencies could hire one employee from outside DoD.

The early impact of the freeze was lessened by allowing job commitments made prior to Feb. 29 to be honored. Now, officials say, the Army strength could be reduced by as much as 1,500 per month for whatever period the freeze stays on.

Reyes says, there are no magic solutions to the freeze. However, commanders and managers responsible for maintaining a civilian work force should consider all possibilities for limiting these

losses.

All commanders/managers should review hiring freeze rules. This will allow them to make sure all persons affected by the freeze have a clear understanding of the rules, Reyes suggests.

There are some exceptions to the freeze. These include:

- Hiring employees in emergency situations that involve safety of human life and protection of property;
- Hiring employees to secure nuclear weapons, chemical agents/munitions, ammunition, weapons and critical material; and
- Hiring for the preservation of human life (patient care).

Other exceptions include the summer aides and stay-in-school programs, and the Federal Junior Fellowship program. Also, persons in developmental jobs under the worker-trainee opportunities program who were selected from worker-trainee registers or appointed under the Veterans readjustment appointment program are included.

Along with the exceptions, officials say commanders/managers should make full use of the

rule that vacancies can be filled from within DoD. Jobs to be filled should receive prompt hiring action, officials add.

Projected losses should be taken into account in deciding critical hiring actions. If agencies are faced with special or unusual requirements, they should contact CPO.

If, for some reason, an agency or command has hiring authorizations that can't be used, they should also contact CPO so the hiring authority can be applied elsewhere.

The hiring freeze is here to stay for a while, but commanders and managers should try to minimize losses and keep civilian strength up to legal limits, Reyes asks.

According to Reyes the Presidio is facing a number of retirements which will further reduce on board strength.

By knowing the hiring freeze rules, projecting losses, and hiring quickly, agencies may be able to reduce the impact of the freeze, Reyes comments.

The CPO is expanding its recruiting efforts to help ease the situation, but managers should be patient, Reyes emphasizes.

Opinion

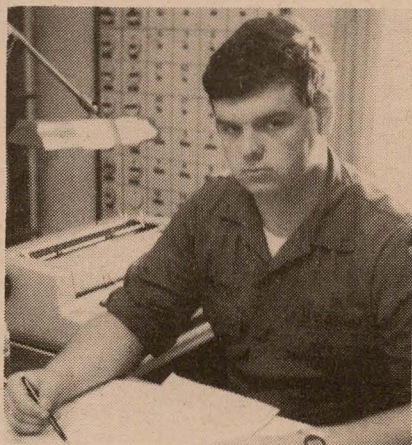
Ramblin' Sam

Are you being utilized to your fullest potential?



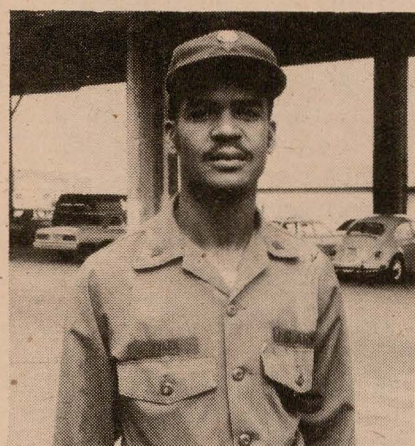
Dorothy Mehle, CPO—"Yes, I'm working up to my fullest potential and I love my job working for CPO."

PFC Thomas Graves, USAG clerk—"No, USAG just doesn't have enough work for me to do. This may sound conceited, but I'm not being used to my full potential."



SFC Edward Madison, Readiness Region IX—"Yes. As for the job requirements, I ensure the Reserves and National Guards are adequately advised and assisted in their supply areas."

Sp4 Robert Pressley, USAG Mail Clerk—"Yes, I enjoy my work, while making sure everyone receives their mail. I also get to meet new and regular personnel assigned to Garrison on a daily basis."



Sp4 Ron Tyler, 864th Engineers—"Yes, I'm kept busy throughout the day performing duties expected of me. I'm also needed in my job."

Stop watching the clock, and get to work

"You are a soldier 24 hours a day." That's the standard comeback senior Army personnel give to soldiers complaining about working past the end of normal duty hours.

While it is true, the statement lacks the power to put the issue to rest. It is also harsh and cold.

There are many soldiers who think the Army should be run like any civilian business. You come to work at 7:30 a.m. and you go home at 4:15 p.m. You get paid overtime for working late or on weekends.

Can you see their plan working on the battlefield? At exactly 4:15 a siren blows and the battle stops for a shift change. Seconds later the siren blows again and the fighting resumes.

The idea just isn't practical. But more importantly, soldiers want the best of both worlds.

They like the idea of being able to go to the doctor on duty time and not being docked for it. They almost expect to be allowed to go to the PX and commissary on duty time. And they certainly don't mind not being fired for constantly being late or not showing up for work.

Through it all, however, they still

demand the old 7:30 to 4:30 routine, five days a week.

Soldiers are paid a monthly salary, not an hourly wage. So, just like those in the civilian community who earn a monthly salary, there is no overtime.

In many offices and units, soldiers are given comp time when they work past the normal duty hours or on weekends. These are truly fortunate troops.

Soldiers who complain about working beyond normal duty hours should sit back and see how good they have it. While there are a few clock watchers, most managers realize that extra duty and personnel shortages often add to a soldier's day and grant time off for trips to the PX and to handle other personal matters.

Those who enlisted thinking they were coming into a 8-5 job were unrealistic. There just aren't enough soldiers to do all the things which are required of us in the span of an eight hour day without occasional overtime or weekend duty.

It's time for soldiers to stop watching the clock and using that time to accomplish the mission.

The Editor

We've got the answers

Are you as mad as a mad batter? Do you have a question you can't get an answer to or a problem that can't seem to be solved?

If you answered yes to any of these questions the Star Presidian may be able to help.

Letters to the Editor and Action Line calls can help you get answers where the normal chain of command can't.

Letters and calls are forwarded to the appropriate agency for reply and to the post commander for review.

Letters to the Editor should be addressed as follows:

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Action Line calls can be made by dialing 561-5463.

Let us hear from you.

The Editor

Happy Jewish New Year

by Chaplain (Col.) Arthur Bell

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, will be observed by the Jewish people from sunset Sept. 10 through sunset Sept. 12, to mark the beginning of year 5741 on the Hebrew calendar.

The Jewish New Year is markedly different in character from the joyous, exuberant celebrations of other peoples. It is a profoundly serious day, during which Jews come together to pray, to examine their behavior and their relationship to God and to each

other, to remember the past and dedicate themselves to the future.

Rosh Hashanah also marks the first day of Yomim Noraim, "Days of Awe." It is a ten-day period of repentance culminating in the Day of Atonement, the most ancient and sacred day in the Jewish calendar on Sept. 19 and 20.

The most important symbol of the Rosh Hashanah observance is the Shofar, ram's horn, which is sounded during worship in the synagogue and at the sacred services at dusk on Yom Kippur day.

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New bosses can get a helping hand

by Tom Tiernan

Whenever a new commander or supervisor comes on board there is almost always an air of apprehension, a resistance to change, or a tendency to blame past problems on the old regime, on the part of members of the unit or agency. Overall it creates a lot of tension.

To ease the tension and help the in-coming commander or supervisor get to know his staff and vice-versa, the Presidio Organizational Effectiveness office is offering special transition meetings.

According to Capt. Eileen Welsh, post OE officer, the program is designed to acquaint the new commander with key members of his staff, identifying issues and concerns, assist in problem solving, align priorities of the new commander, set the tone of the working relationship within the organization and reduce the stress that accompanies a change of command.

"The program is not designed to place blame for current ills, to get in touch with each other's feelings or to serve as a decision making forum for the commander," stated Welsh. "It cannot work without effort on everyone's part."

The transition meeting is conducted in three phases. First the OE officer and the commander get together to discuss the meeting, decide how to implement the program and draw up a memorandum of understanding.

During phase two the OE officer interviews each key manager to brief them on the meeting, its objectives, procedures and desired outcome.

The individual is given a questionnaire which is designed to help acquaint himself with the new commander. He is also asked to list the things he'd like to achieve and doesn't and what to avoid.

The individuals are asked to come to the meeting prepared to discuss:

Major goals of the organization in the next six months

- Concerns about the transition
- Actions necessary for goals to become a reality
- What things can be done to improve the organizations internal management procedures?
- Anticipated problems in carrying out their actions with whom and over what issues.

Phase three of the program is the meeting itself. In order for this to be successful, "the participants must be willing to discuss matters in a frank and open matter," says Welsh.

The final phase of the program is a follow-up meeting approximately three weeks later.

One Presidio unit recently underwent the program—Company D, 864th Engineers.

According to the unit's commander, Capt. Brent Schumacher, the meeting was very advantageous to him.

"The program helps develop training goals. It allows the soldiers to tell the commander what areas they feel they are strong in and which areas they need work in. It is also good for morale because it makes the soldiers feel that they are part of the transition," Schumacher comments.

The 864th commander involved every soldier in his unit in the program. "First I had a meeting with all the E-5s and above. Then I met with the squad leaders and then with all the other enlisted



Who is this masked man?

A chain of command ceremony almost always marks the beginning of tension in an unit. The post

soldiers," Schumacher explains.

First Sergeant Thomas Padamonsky, agrees with Schumacher, but feels that more follow up is needed. "It is really an educational process for the soldiers here. All they know is that a few of the fellows came up and talked about the things we've been talking about among ourselves. We now need to reinforce them so that they don't slip back into the old ways."

"Whenever there is a change of command a lot of people are uptight and it takes three weeks to get everyone settled down. This meeting cut that time down. It also helped us get to know one another in a professional sense. . . It put us ahead in the game," was 2nd Lt. Benjamin Smith's reaction to the transition meeting.

Welsh feels that the transition meetings do

Organizational effectiveness office can help. (US Army Photo)

help commanders get their feet on the ground more quickly. "It usually takes three to six months for the commander to really get to know his unit. Through this program we can cut that time down and let him get on with other valuable training."

Although the program has been used primarily at the unit level, Welsh says she would be glad to provide assistance to any organization or agency with a new chief or supervisor. "All I ask is that the people want to participate in the program."

Persons interested in having the program for their staff, unit or agency can contact Welsh at 561-6084.

Calling home? Make sure you pay the bill

by Jon Chelgren

"Son, why don't you ever call home?"

"But I am Momma, I am."

Those lines from a television commercial may have been taken to heart by some members of the Presidio who decided to follow the young man's example and call home.

Unfortunately, eleven individuals are now under investigation for possible misuse of government phone lines when they made those calls.

According to Jim Payton, commercial leasing officer for the Directorate of Communications and Electronics, his office is now getting a magnetic tape from the phone company which shows where all calls from the Presidio were made to, how long the conversation lasted and the time and date of the call.

After getting a print out of the information on the tape, Payton's office identifies those calls of a "suspicious" nature.

Among the signs of a suspect call are the length of the conversation and where the call was made to. Of the more than 5000 calls made out of state on Wats last month, for example, 18 per cent lasted longer than 10 minutes, while 13 calls were in excess of an hour, says Payton. He notes that Department of the Army policy is to limit calls to five minutes.

Hour-long calls are not the only clues, according to Payton. With cooperation from "Ma Bell," his office can determine the name of the party called from the Presidio. He says that if a lengthy call is placed to the East Coast, for example, and the last names

of both parties match, it is a good bet that the call was illegal.

For the eleven calls now under investigation, Payton says that once they were identified, the information on the call was forwarded to the individuals' commanders to allow them to make the determination of whether or not the call was official or personal in nature.

Once that determination is made, Payton says that the soldiers found to have made illegal calls can be punished under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice, civilians can be reprimanded or suspended and both can be charged for the calls.

According to Payton, the crackdown on illegal calls at government expense is expected to net more telephone abusers in the future.



A little snack for a teeny little fellow

Mrs. Judy Tye feeds her 10-day-old son, Jason, in the LAMC newborn nursery. The nursery is capa-

ble of providing everything from intensive care for "high risk" infants to normal care for well babies.

Infant care

LAMC nursery gives warm welcome to Presidio's 'new arrivals'

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Its lungs not yet mature, the tiny infant struggles for each breath inside a cocoon of plexiglass. Outside its protective cover a myriad of sophisticated machinery tracks the infant's vital signs.

Whether the child lives depends now on the care it receives from a dedicated band of doctors, nurses and para-professionals assigned to the newborn nursery at Letterman Army Medical Center.

According to Capt. Ragni Jantzen, head nurse, the LAMC nursery provides services ranging from intensive care for "high risk" infants to normal treatment for well babies.

The nursery is manned by seven nurses and 13 para-professionals as well as an intern, a resident

and a specialist in high risk infant care, a neonatologist.

The nursery is rated as a "level three center" capable of providing the care for the most serious of cases. It also serves as a referral center for cases from Nevada, Arizona and California.

As a testament to the quality of care at the nursery, an infant was recently released after surviving six months' intensive care there. The baby had been born 15 weeks premature—one week past the legal limit for abortion, says Jantzen.

According to Jantzen, her attraction to the work started when she was first assigned to the pediatrics ward at the Fort Dix Army Hospital.

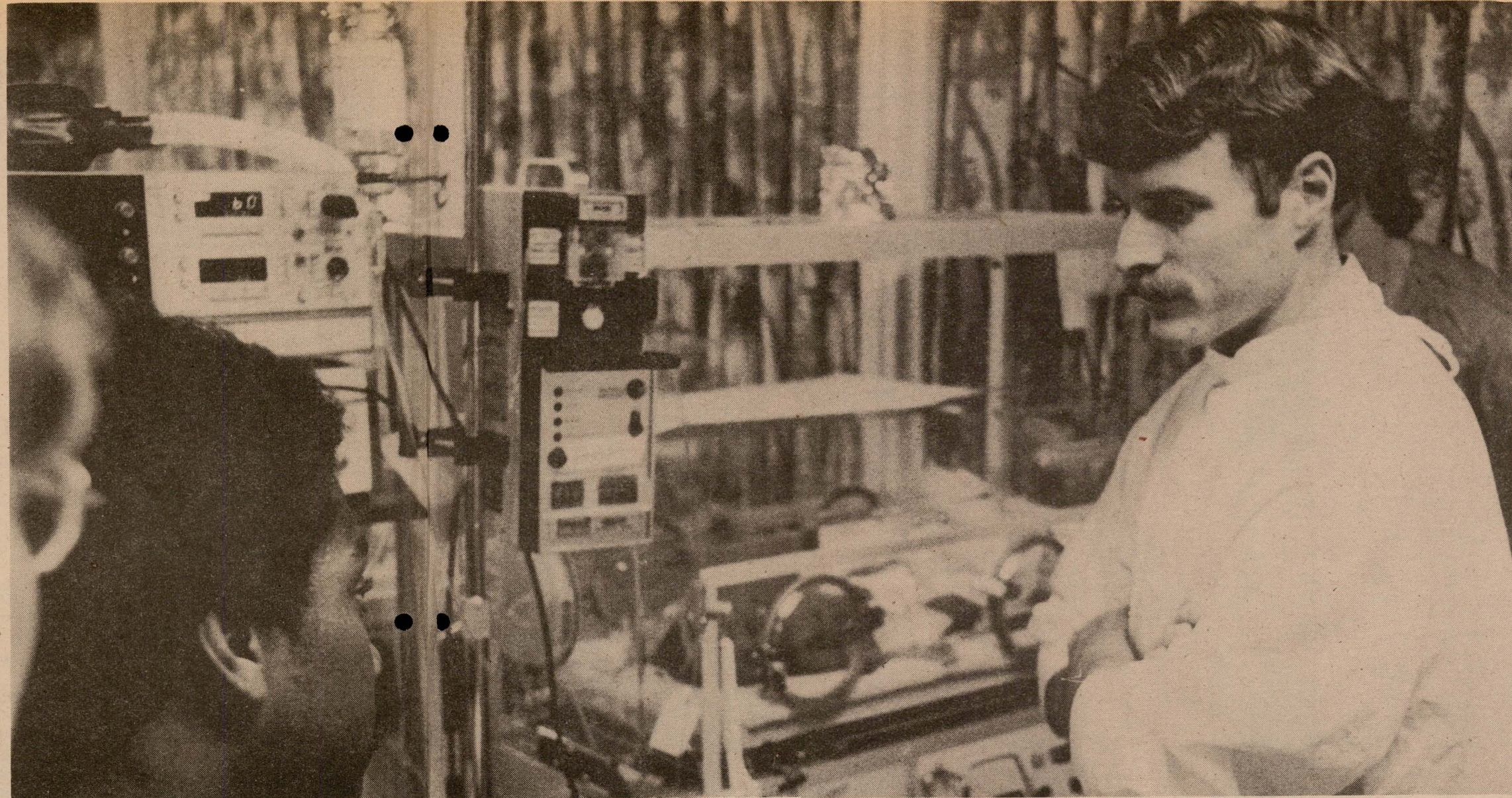
"Children are so open and spontaneous," she

explains. "There is something special about nurturing a young life."

Sp5 Doug Milroy, a para-professional, also cites the advantages to working in the newborn nursery.

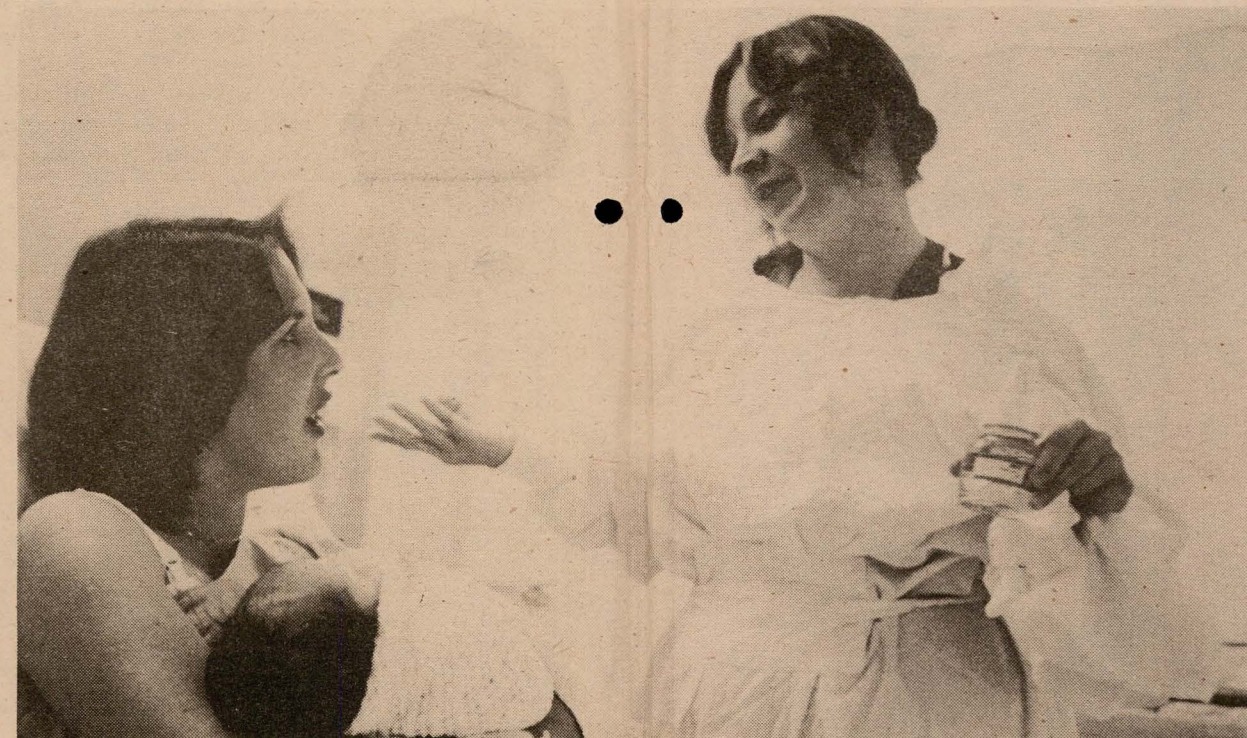
"It's the best unit in the hospital," he says. "Because its so small you get to do everything here from top to bottom."

"Plus working with babies is good work," he continues. "You really feel as though you have contributed to taking care of the kid. With the high risk babies, you get them with not too good a chance of surviving and you watch them go from intensive care to intermediate care and then leave. You know that they have the whole spectrum of life in front of them."



I know it looks scary, but everything's going to be fine

Dr. (Maj.) Howard Kilbride (right) confers with Dr. (Capt.) Andrew Brown during rounds in the intensive care unit.



No song and dance here

Head Nurse (Capt.) Ragni Jantzen (right) fields a question from a new mother.



The joy of motherhood

Mrs. Michele McCarthy cradles her six-hour-old son, Justin, during his first feeding.

Particularly with intensive care babies, the nursery staff that must care for them over long periods of time form attachments to the children. And when a baby dies, it makes it rough on the staff, they say.

"When an adult dies," says Milroy, "it's different. You may have been friends with him on the ward, but it's different. When a baby dies it hasn't experienced anything. You may have gone through five or six months of caring for it and it seems to be coming along and then it dies."

Milroy, a veteran of two and a half years on the LAMC nursery, remembers when the hospital had one infant in intensive care for seven months before it died. "It was really rough on the whole staff," he says.

Time to spare

Plenty of concerts in your future

This is the last weekend for the **Renaissance Pleasure Faire** which closes Sunday in the Black Point Forest in Novato. The Presidio Recreation Center has **discount tickets** for the faire. For more information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m.

The **San Francisco "Bay-in-the-water" Boat Show** starts Friday at Mariner Square in Alameda. The show is one of the **largest combined displays of power and sail boats** on the West Coast. The show continues through Sept. 14 open weekdays from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on weekends from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Cow Palace goes to the cats this weekend as the Cat Fanciers Association hosts a cat show, **"A Feline Fantasy," beginning from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.** More than 600 cats will be vieing for top honors at the show. In addition to the judging a variety of educational and informative displays and presentations are planned.

Also **Saturday and Sunday, there will be a vintage festival**—beginning at noon at the Mirassou Vineyards in San Jose. The festival features **wine tasting and entertainment.** For more information call (408) 274-3400.

The Sunnyvale Community Center will be the site for a **Photo Day** from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. The day features film and slide presentations and photo booths as well as entertainment provided by mimes, dancers and jugglers. The Center is located at 550 Remington Drive in Sunnyvale.

An **Artichoke Festival** highlights the activities in Castroville Saturday and Sunday. The festival includes a parade and Barbeque.

Coins, artifacts and books illustrating trade during the Roman empire are on display at the J. Paul Leonard Library at San Francisco State University. **"Trade in the World of the Caesars"** is free and can be viewed from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays. For more information call 469-1649.

Here's a list of upcoming concerts in the Bay Area.

Lou Reed

Friday and Saturday, 7:30 and 10:30 p.m.
Old Waldorf

Ray Charles

Friday, 8 and 10 p.m.
Marin Civic Center

AC-DC and Nantucket

Friday, 8 p.m.
Cow Palace

Jeff Beck

Friday 8 p.m.
Greek Theatre at U. C. Berkeley

Joan Baez

Sunday, 2 p.m.
Frost Amphitheatre at Stanford

Count Basie and his orchestra

Wednesday, 8 and 10:30 p.m.
Great American Music Hall

Al Stewart

Wednesday, 8 p.m.
Old Waldorf

Gordon Lightfoot

Sept. 14, 8 p.m.
Concord Pavilion

Bonnie Raitt and Tim Weisberg

Sept. 14, 3 p.m.
Greek Theatre at U. C. Berkeley

Muddy Waters and Nighthawks

Sept. 14, 8 and 11 p.m.
The Stone

Chuck Berry

Sept. 19-20, 7:30 and 10:30 p.m.
Old Waldorf

Paul Simon

Sept. 17, 8 p.m.
San Francisco Civic Auditorium



Her royal highness

Queen Elizabeth I arrives at the Renaissance Faire. The fair concludes this weekend at the

Blackpoint Forest in Novato. (Photo by Tom Tier-nan)

Presidio's movie scene

Presidio

Sept. 6, **Star Trek—The Motion Picture** (G) 2 and 7 p.m.

Sept. 7, **Cheech & Chong's Next Movie** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 8, **Cheech & Chong's Next Movie** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 9, **Cheech & Chong's Next Movie** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 10, **Kill or Be Killed** (PG) 7 p.m.

Sept. 11, **"10"** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 12, **"10"** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 13, **The Golden Voyage of Sinbad** (G) 2 p.m.

Sept. 14, **Airplane** (PG) 7 p.m.

Letterman

Sept. 4, **GORP** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 5, **1941** (PG) 7 p.m.

Sept. 8, **How to Beat the High Cost of Living** (PG) 7 p.m.

Sept. 9, **Can't Stop the Music** (PG) 7 p.m.

Sept. 10, **Death Ship** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 11, **Amityville Horror** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 12, **Star Trek—The Motion Picture** (G) 7 p.m.

Sports

Shorts

Tryouts slated

Tryouts for the San Francisco Merionettes Synchronized Swim Team will be held Sept. 12 at 5 p.m. at the Larsen Pool on 19th Ave. and Wawona St.

Rated as one of the top ten synchronized swimming teams in the United States, the Merionettes have operated under the auspices of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department over the past 20 years.

According to team manager Ray Debono, the qualifications for young women include a basic knowledge of swimming and a desire to improve. He stresses that all candidates must be 10 years old or under.

Debono and head coach Lona Albano will conduct the tryouts and explain the program. Swimmers must be accompanied by a parent and should bring a swim suit and towel.

Clinic planned

A clinic for persons interested in officiating flag football will be held Monday, Sept. 8 at 1 p.m. at post gym no. 1.

For more information contact Mr. Gascon or SFC Funes at 561-4120 or 5032.

Boxers wanted

A boxing program will start soon for those interested in training for intra-squad competition with various boxing clubs around the Bay Area and the FORSCOM boxing championships.

For more information call Jim Ragasa, 561-5328 at Gym No. 3, Bldg. No. 1226.

League sign ups set

Winter bowling leagues are now being formed at the Presidio Bowling Center. For more information stop by the center or call 561-5042.

Tourney dates change

Due to the change in dates of the FORSCOM racquetball tournament, the post tourney to select Presidio representatives will be held later in the year.

According to Sports Office officials, the post tournament scheduled for Sept. 5-7 will be held as planned. Winners will be competing for the post championship with points being awarded toward the Commander's Cup Trophy.

For more information contact the main post gym at 561-4120.

Sports office moved

The Sports Admin Office has moved to building 63. The telephone number, 561-4120 remains the same.



He's 'teed' off

Mac Roberts slams one off the tee at the Presidio Golf Course. Roberts was one of 124 players in

last week's Commanding General's Golf Tournament. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Young captures CG's cup

A total of 124 golfers turned out for the annual Commanding General's Golf Tournament at the Presidio Golf Course, Aug. 29.

The shotgun start at noon signaled the beginning of the 18 hole tournament.

The winning team featured Presidio newcomer, **Robert S. Young**, chief of staff for Sixth Army, who teamed with **Phil Meengs**, **Greg Dillon** and **Jack Kinney** for a best ball score of 58.

Finishing in second place, two strokes back

was the team of **Joe Eichhorn**, **Russ Yaeger**, **Mike Gonzalez** and **Bill Colbert**.

Taking the third place prize was the foursome of **Harry Kahn**, **Lew Lehr**, **Larry Howard** and **Phil Garney**, three strokes off the champion's pace.

Members of each of the first three teams were awarded gift certificates for their achievement. Presenting the awards were Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, commanding general of 6th Army, and prominent San Francisco businessman Ben Swig, who is also a Civilian Aide (at Large) to the Secretary of the Army.

Women finish second in tourney

The Presidio's women's softball team travelled to Travis Air Force Base to participate in the Travis Softball Classic Tournament.

The Presidio women played tremendous softball, reaching the semifinals without a loss, but went down in defeat to the defending champions, PALFEY'S, losing the first game 9-8 and the deciding game 16-6.

The Presidio women were lead in the finals by **Roxanne Davis**, 51st Engineers, whose superb hitting drove in several runs; **Marilyn Johnson**, 170th MP Co., whose offensive leadership provided a second game grand slam; **Donna Cleville**, WRRG, who played excellent defense; and **Mary Jane Williams**, LAMC, who despite strong

winds pitched a consistent and controlled game throughout the tournament.

Three Presidio players were named to the All-Star Team—**Kathy Gallagher**, 504th MP Bn. third base; **Davis**, shortstop; and **Bess Watts**, 163rd MP Co., leftfield.

Three head for trials

Thomas Egan, **Nick Lapins**, and **Gary Jones**, all of LAMC, have been selected to attend the All-Army Tennis Trials at Fort Eustis, Va. Sept. 4-20.

Presidio News Notes

Wives' clubs to meet

A membership and activities coffee Sept. 11 will introduce the fall program for the Letterman Women's and the Presidio's Officer Wives Club. The coffee will begin at 10 a.m. in the Presidio Officers Club.

New and old members are invited to come and sign up for the variety of activities that will be offered including calligraphy, dough art, cake decorating, needlepoint, choral group, country carving, party bridge, cooking classes, tennis, racquetball, rug making, macrame, Christmas art plus many more.

Tables will be set up to answer questions concerning the club's activities, as well as provide a warm welcome to prior members and new officers families on post. No reservations are necessary.

Jewish services available

Jewish personnel and their dependents who desire to attend Rosh Hashanah services can contact either Mr. Ruth Allmann at 561-4397 or Rabbi Dalin at 561-2351 for times and locations for the services around San Francisco.

Hispanic luncheon set

A Hispanic Heritage Week luncheon will be held at a surprise San Francisco restaurant, Sept. 16.

Free transportation to the restaurant will be provided from the main bus stop at 11:45 a.m. The bus will return at 1 p.m.

To reserve a place for the luncheon call the 561-5730 or 3701. The restaurant will offer a 15 percent discount on all lunches.

CHAMPUS is voluntary

If you use CHAMPUS, you should know that doctors take part in the civilian health and medical program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) agree in writing to accept your payment and the government's payment as full payment for services. The government's allowable payment charge is determined by CHAMPUS.

According to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, beneficiaries do not have to pay more than the share established by law if they use health care providers participating in CHAMPUS.

For more information check with the health benefit advisor at Letterman Army Medical Center at 561-4923.

New sweater approved

Presidio soldiers can expect to be wearing the latest in Army fashions in the next 14-15 months.

According to a DA news release, a black cardigan sweater has been approved for optional purchase and wear.

The sweater will be the second optional outer garment available in black. The other is the new windbreaker.

According to DA officials, the black cardigan sweater will be available as an optional purchase item in PXs in 14 to 15 months. The green sweater currently in use has an expected wearout date of Oct. 1983. Both sweaters will be authorized for wear until then.

The men's version of the sweater will be more form fitting and heavier than the green one. The women's version will be identical to the green sweater currently available.

Both cardigans will be made of 100 percent acrylic yarn and will be washable. The men's sweater will cost \$20 while the women's version will run about \$12.

Officials say, the black cardigan sweater may be worn as an outer garment indoors within the immediate confines of the individual's working area with the Army green uniform skirt, pantsuit, slacks, trousers and the hospital duty uniform. Women may also wear the sweater as an outer garment with the Army green cord,



Young blue eyes

John Green took this picture of eight year old Mike Barry during Red Cross swimming class at the Letterman Army Medical Center's pool. For his efforts Green is the latest winner of the Photo of

the Week contest. His photo will be held over to compete in the quarterly prize. If you have a photo that you'd like to see here bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

hospital duty and food service uniforms, both indoors and outdoors.

The sweaters may be worn with the short sleeve service shirt when the shirts are worn with or without the necktie or tab. They may also be worn with civilian clothes.

In other uniform developments, green or brown undergarments, T-shirts and undershorts, as well as towels will become a part of the basic clothing issue bag for new soldiers. Instead of receiving six white t-shirts and undershorts, men will be issued four colored shirts and two white shirts and six colored undershorts. Women will receive four colored T-shirts.

The Army will conduct a year long test of five wash and wear fabrics. According to officials, the fabric selected will give the soldiers wash and wear slacks, skirts and trousers. The fabric will be compatible for wear with the gray-green service shirt but will not be authorized for wear with the Army coats and jackets. The new uniform items will cut soldier's drycleaning costs and be available for optional purchase and wear.

Special offer for women

September is Women's Membership Month at the Central YMCA which is offering a special membership offer.

Any woman who joins the YMCA for one year during September will receive one free month's membership and a free locker. Women who join for three month's will receive one free month's membership.

The Women's Fitness Center, only 6 months old and the largest in the area, includes a fully equipped weight room and mirrored exercise area, locker room, sauna, showers, hair dryers and a lounge.

Being a member also entitles women to full use of two gymnasiums, running track, swimming pool, handball and racquetball courts and the sunroof.

Anyone interested in joining the Women's Fitness Center should call Joanne Houston at 885-0460.

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President okays 11.7 pay raise

An 11.7 percent pay raise and a family separation allowance for junior enlisted soldiers is included in the FY 81 Department of Defense (DoD) Authorization Bill approved by Congress recently. The bill was signed into law by the President on Monday.

A figure of \$52.8 billion in DoD authorizations for FY 81 is in the legislation.

In calling for the large pay increases, Congress suspended for one year the normal method of deciding how much of a raise to give servicemembers. The 11.7 percent increase will affect basic pay, subsistence allowance (BAS) and quarters allowance (BAQ) beginning with October 1980 pay.

Congress also gave the President the authority to reallocate up to 25 percent of the pay increase by grade and years of service. This allows the President to give a greater increase to servicemembers in certain grades and years of service. However, Congress limited that authority by saying such a reallocation cannot be used to increase the basic pay above 11.7 percent for service personnel with four years of service or less.

The family separation allowance for E1-E4 who are not in a career status will amount to \$30

per month for each month the servicemember is separated from his or her family.

The legislation also calls for an active Army end strength limit of 775,300 for FY 81, with no more than 35 percent of male enlistees being non-high school graduates. Further, no more than 25 percent of personnel enlisted during the fiscal year can be those who scored below the 30th percentile on the entrance test.

Another feature of the Authorization Bill calls for an increase in the per diem allowance from \$35 to \$50 for military personnel on TDY. For TDY per diem in high cost areas, the maximum rate was raised from \$50 to \$75.

Other military compensation and benefit areas affected by the FY 81 DoD authorizations include:

- An increase in reenlistment bonuses from \$15,000 to \$20,000 for certain specialties.
- An increase in enlistment bonuses from \$3,000 to \$5,000 for certain skills.
- An increase in the reimbursement paid for moving a mobile home or trailer.
- A one-year extension of the enlistment and reenlistment bonuses and educational assistance programs for all units of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve.
- A new enlistment bonus of \$600 for the

individual ready reserve for a one-year trial period.

- A new selective affiliation bonus for the Selected Reserve.

- \$75 million for a directed one-year test of increased educational benefits, including a loan forgiveness program.

- In the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) program, coverage for routine infant medical care. Also, an increase from \$350 to \$1,000 per month in the maximum.

- Military retired pay will be calculated based on an average of the highest three years of basic pay rather than fiscal basic pay. This action will not affect those members on active duty before the bill's effective date of Oct. 1, 1980.

- Optional authority for the Secretary of Defense to offer up to four months of basic pay as a continuation bonus for pilots with six to 18 years of service.

At press time it was not known whether the President would exercise his authority to reallocate part of the 11.7 raise. However, Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly said here last Friday that he believed the President would not make use of this option.

Connelly tells soldiers 'You're good'

by Tom Tiernan

Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly told Presidio soldiers that they were "good" last week during a visit to the post.

Connelly said that 70 percent of the soldiers who make it past their first term of service are, "As good as any soldier who has served in the Army in the history of this country. You are a part of that 70 percent."

The Army's top NCO said that news reports critical of today's soldiers were written by people who don't know soldiers "as I know them."

"I can't see how anyone can call someone who raises his right hand and swears to god to do certain things and then does them, can call that poor quality."

The Sergeant Major of the Army told those present that the Army does have problems in four main areas, manning the force, modernizing the Army, training and mobilization.

On manning the force Connelly said the Army, the Congress and the nation had to look at what was to be done to recruit and retain good soldiers.

He said that seeing that soldiers could "live in dignity... own their own home... and feel they are productive members of society," were important factors to be considered.

Connelly said he felt that for the first time since 1975 "the pendulum is swinging in the right direction for the military." He predicted that an 11.7 across-the-board pay raise would go into effect in October and that the Nunn-Warner amendment offering more money for TDY and PCS funds plus the variable housing allowance would also soon be passed by Congress.

These things should help with both recruiting and retention Connelly commented.

But the effort will not stop there Connelly emphasized. The Army, he said is going to Congress to ask that the GI Bill be reinstated and the current cut off date for those in service be extended beyond 1989.

The top enlisted soldier told Presidio troops that the problem of modernizing weapons plays an important role in their future.

Better more realistic training and longer basic



Talk with the top man

Sergeant Major of the Army William A. Connelly talks with senior NCOs at Sixth Army. Connelly

told soldiers that they were 'good' soldiers. (Photo by John Green)

and advanced individual training are being sought by Army leadership, says Connelly.

During a question and answer session, Connelly said that if Congress doesn't provide the money for second, third and fourth term reenlistments bonuses, some funds may have to be diverted from first termers to help stop the exodus of soldiers in with six to 16 years of service.

Connelly feels that a redistribution of pay is necessary to help convince people to stay in the Army and to give added incentives for getting promoted. "The difference in pay between E-4

and E-5 is hardly enough to make it worth shining your shoes for."

See related story on page 4.

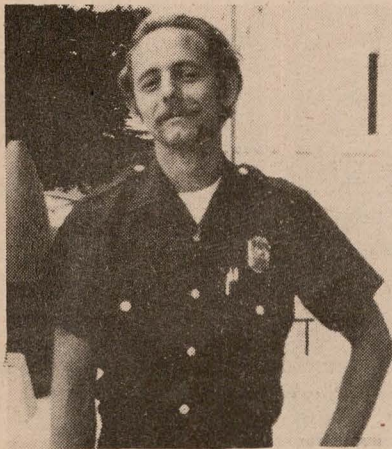
Overseas briefing set

All officers and enlisted soldiers on levy for an overseas assignment must report to Tournay Hall at LAMC for the mandatory overseas briefing on Sept. 23 at 1 p.m. Spouses and children over 12 years of age are encouraged to attend also.

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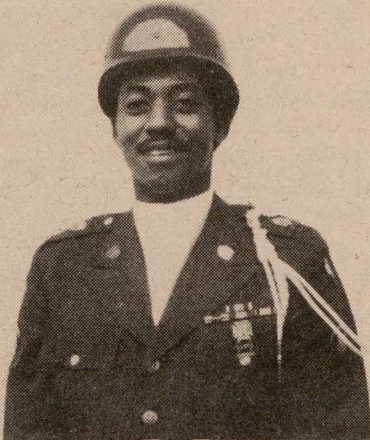
Ramblin' Sam

What person or agency on post does their job well?



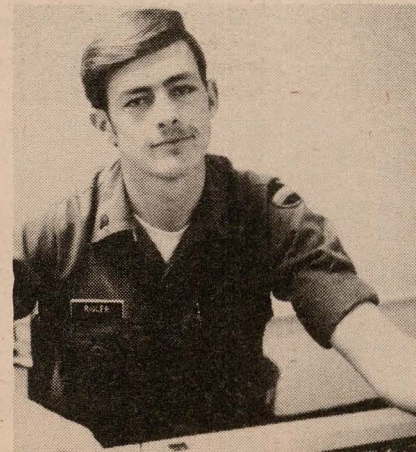
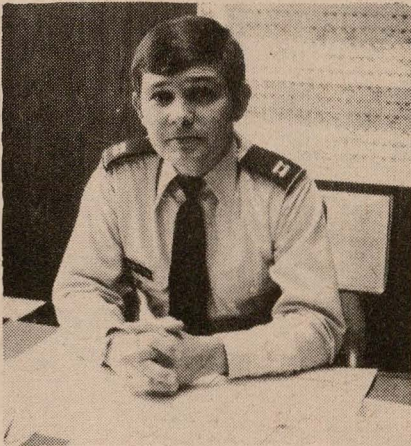
Joy Ottolini, DAFE—"The Fire Department provides an ongoing support here. You can always depend upon us. When in doubt give a shout and we'll help you out."

Sp5 Charles Howard, DRCS—"I'd like to commend the personnel who work at the household goods section for an outstanding job of in and out processing personnel."



Dee Hovck, Sixth Army—"Shirley Small and her crew provides a great service to the Presidio with their excellent graphic support. They also provide after hours support to the different agencies."

Capt. Larry Robertson, Protocol Officer—"The band, which provides ongoing support for agencies here, to include the San Francisco community and out of state organizations. They take pride in their work and at times receive no recognition."



Sp4 Robert Rigler, 504th MP Bn.—"The 504th Color Guard, presenting the colors at special ceremonies and events—here as well as the civilian community."

There's no such thing as a wasted vote

The 1980 Presidential contest looks like it will be one of the hottest and most exciting ever. Yet, millions of Americans will be sitting at home or work Nov. 4 instead of going to the polls to vote. Many will use the excuse that their candidate doesn't stand a chance and why should they waste their vote.

Maybe their candidate doesn't have a chance to win, but there is no such thing as a wasted vote.

Everytime an American steps into the voting booth and presses the lever, marks the "X", or punches a hole, he is sending an important message to his elected representatives.

He maybe saying, "I don't like

things the way they are," or "I like this persons ideas." No matter what he is trying to say, his voice will be heard.

One of the most precious rights and responsibilities any people could have is the chance to influence their future and to decide who their leaders will be.

Surprisingly, many Americans view voting as more of a burden than a privilege. If they can't do it at work or home, they just as soon forget about it.

The future of this country and all Americans lies in the hands of every citizen of voting age. If we fail to vote, we are failing to meet our responsibilities.

The Editor

Benefits aren't enough

An 11.7 percent pay raise, a variable housing allowance and a host of other bennies are on their way to soldiers.

This new package is designed to help keep soldiers in the "volunteer" Army. But will it work?

There will be a small group of soldiers who will say, "No, this isn't enough." Many of them will be those who came in for a free ride and weren't willing to adjust to military life. Others will leave because they can make it better on the outside.

A smaller group will say, "This is great, I'm going to stay." Many of these soldiers are here for purely patriotic reasons first, or because they have come to love the Army way of life.

I am afraid, however, the majority of soldiers will take the "wait and see" attitude. These troops are not just concerned about making millions, just about providing a good living for their families. They are also interested in feeling they are making a contribution, and that they are not wasting their time. They want to know that the Army needs them and cares what happens to them.

It may be in this area of showing concern, that the Army will lose many good soldiers. This is where NCOs come in.

NCOs cannot sit and turn their heads to a soldier's problem. They cannot look the other way when a good soldier turns bad. They cannot just deal with a soldier when he's on duty.

An NCO's responsibility goes beyond seeing that the soldier comes to work everyday at the appointed hours, to the right desk and does a certain amount of work. His job includes checking on the soldier's living conditions, making sure he knows how he can get promoted, insuring that he knows how to wear his uniform, understands to do his job or to fire an M-16.

Unfortunately, many NCOs fail to carry out these responsibilities. They never visit the barracks, or ask the soldier how his family is, or take the time to explain how to get promoted.

They don't even bother to say to the soldier, "You are a good soldier. The Army could use more like you. Why don't you consider reenlisting."

If the Army, the volunteer Army, is to succeed in the coming years, it is going to need alot more than benefit packages to keep soldiers in. It is going to need to show that it cares for the soldiers who wear the uniform and really isn't a big cold, impersonal machine.

The Editor

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Three named Soldiers of Year

Three Presidio soldiers have been named FORSCOM Soldiers of the Year for 1980 and will be receiving U. S. Savings Bonds worth \$1500.

The trio includes Sgt. Alan M. Limke of the 170th Military Police Company at Fort Scott, Sp4 George E. Bray of the 62nd Ordnance Detachment at Fort Douglas, Utah, and SFC James P. Red of Sixth Army's Readiness Region Eight in Denver.

The soldiers bested a variety of selection boards to snare the honors. The boards' scrutiny included subjects ranging from personal appearance and military bearing to general military knowledge. The candidates were also ques-

tioned in areas of current events and world affairs, military history, their military specialties and Army programs.

Limke, the assistant operations sergeant and training NCO at the 170th, is a veteran of three and a half years of Army service and has been assigned to the Fort Scott unit for more than a year.

While Limke says that he hasn't decided on any Army career yet, his future plans include entering flight school in March as a warrant officer candidate at Fort Rucker, Ala.

"I never dreamed it would happen to me," is how Bray views his selection. The 21-year-old

explosive ordnance specialist credits his prior experience before boards and the tremendous help from his detachment with his selection.

Bray is a former supply specialist who had been assigned to Fort Stewart, Ga., before he was reassigned in April to the 62nd in Salt Lake City. Bray, who says he enjoys working with EOD "immensely," plans to reenlist for at least one more tour.

Red is a strength improvement specialist at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Denver. The 32-year-old NCO represented Readiness Region Eight in Sixth Army competition before heading into the FORSCOM level competition.

Nunn-Warner

President signs admendment which includes variable housing allowance

A **Variable Housing Allowance (VHA)** for CONUS-based servicemembers highlights the Nunn-Warner Amendment recently approved by Congress. The amendment, attached to a bill affecting military officers strengths, was signed into law by President Carter on Monday.

The VHA program, DA personnel officials say, is designed to help pay part of the housing costs not met by the current basic allowance for quarters (BAQ). **The new allowance takes effect Oct. 1, 1980, if the Department of Defense (DoD) decides to start payments.**

Under a compromise worked out in a conference committee, DoD has optional authority to pay the allowance during FY 81 which begins Oct. 1, 1980. However, beginning in FY 82, VHA becomes an entitlement which is to be funded with federal money and paid to servicemembers.

According to DA officials, **BAQ under the new program will not be reduced for any servicemember**, but some military personnel will receive more housing money. Officials add the variable allowance will also benefit servicemembers assigned overseas but with families living in CONUS.

VHA will be paid based on an index of 115 percent of authorized BAQ and average housing cost indexes for CONUS areas, officials say. Housing costs survey forms have been sent out by the DoD which will help determine an average cost for

housing in sections of the country. According to officials, CONUS will be sectioned into military areas and assigned a housing cost index. These indexes will be used to determine VHA payments. Pay grade will also be a factor for VHA.

Servicemembers will receive the difference between the average cost of housing and 115 percent of BAQ. If the average cost of housing is less than 115 percent of BAQ, officials say the servicemembers will get only the normal BAQ entitlement.

For example, a servicemember draws \$100 BAQ, and DoD has determined the average cost of housing in his area for his grade to be \$200. The amount of \$115 (115 percent of \$100 is \$115) is subtracted from the \$200 (average housing cost). Eighty-five dollars is the difference which would be added to the normal BAQ entitlement of

\$100. Thus, the servicemembers would receive a total of \$185 for housing.

Other areas affected by the Nunn-Warner Amendment include:

- Lifting of the 10 cent per mile POS reimbursement rate. The new rate will be determined by DoD.
- An increase in subsistence allowance (BAS) of 10 percent.
- An increase in flight pay. For enlisted crew members, the increase is based on time in service and pay grade, while officer pilots will get a 25 percent increase.
- A save pay provision for officers who served before as enlisted members or warrant officers. In effect, the provision guarantees that officers in this category will not lose any pay in accepting a commission appointment.

The PCS, BAS and flight pay increases took effect Sept. 1, 1980.

How much additional BAQ soldiers in the Bay Area will receive has yet to be determined.

Voting registration set for tomorrow

"If someone expects to vote in the Nov. 4 election, they are down to the limit," says 1st Lt. Rodney Victorine, voting assistance officer for Headquarters Company, USAG.

Victorine will be making one final push this week to register voters during Armed Forces Voters Week.

Speaking of the Federal Post Card Application forms, Victorine says, "It doesn't take five minutes to register."

He notes that the FPCA cards not only can be used for registering first time voters, but that persons already registered can use them to get absentee ballots for the Nov. 4 elections.

As voting assistance officer, Victorine says that he has been touring the post's offices to encourage people to register and to vote. But he says that even by personally visiting each office, he has been unable to catch everyone on post.

So tomorrow from 8 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m., he plans to set up a table in front of USAG to assist any interested soldiers, dependents or civilians. He says that while the FPCA cards are self-explanatory, he will be on hand to answer any questions.

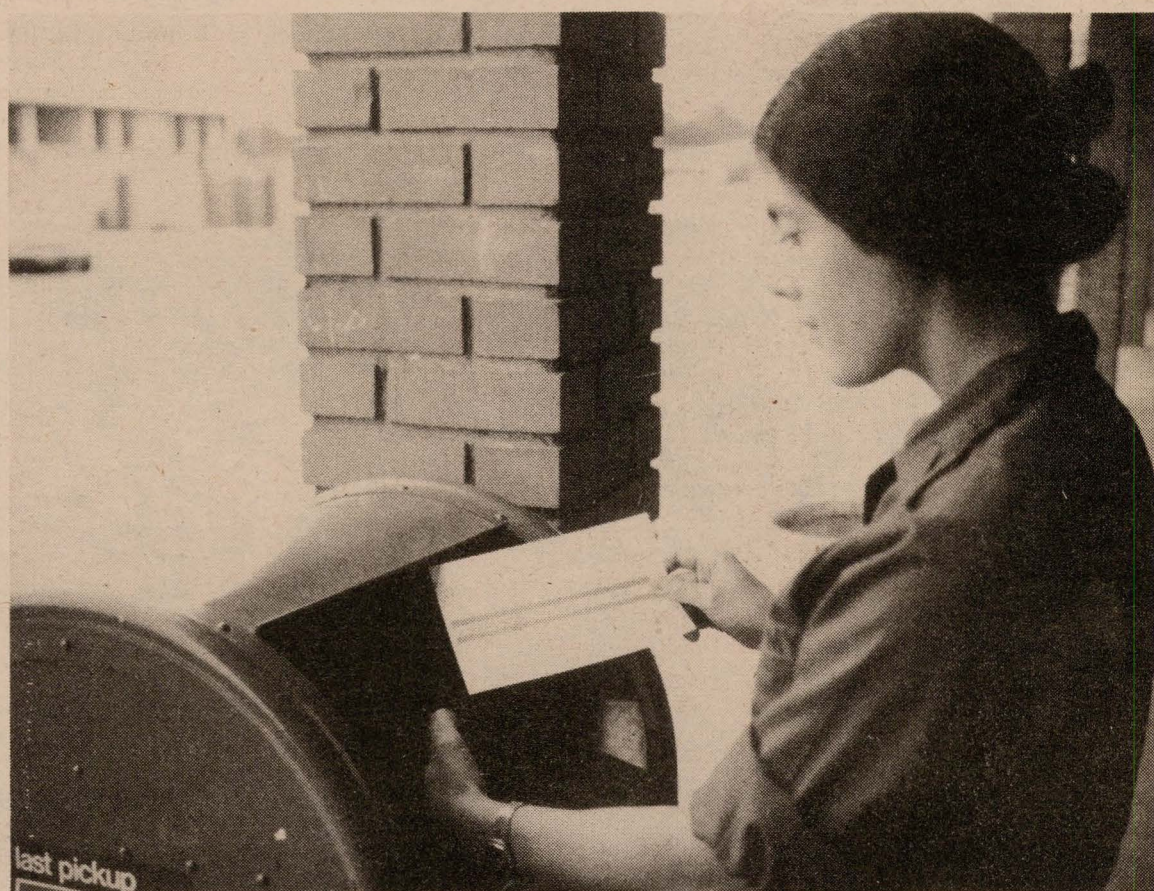
Those who would like to contact the voter assistance officer for their unit, should contact the appropriate officer listed below:

USAG, Sixth Army, 1st Lt. Rodney Victorine at 561-4277.

504th MP Battalion, Capt. Gary Wood at 561-3912.

163rd MP Company, 1st Lt. William Foster at 561-3912.

170th MP Company, 2nd Lt. Bruce Uphoff at 561-5172.



Exercising her rights

Sp5 Debbie Schoettlin exercises her right to vote by dropping her registration and

absentee ballot request into the mail. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

51st Engineers, 2nd Lt. James Grenstead at 561-3216.

16th AG, 2nd Lt. Jonathan Stein at 561-4453.

864 Engineers, 2nd Lt. Nathan Barton at 561-4474.

LAMC, Capt. David Carter at 561-3785.

Connelly: 'Army is a tough team'

by Tom Tiernan

Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly told a group of military journalists Monday that he didn't feel the 11.7 pay raise or the new benefits contained in the Nunn-Warner amendment would stop the exodus of mid-range NCOs from the Army.

Connelly said that while these things would help, he felt the Army needed a new GI Bill, an extension of the 1989 cut-off for those with the GI Bill, a law which would allow soldiers with the GI Bill to sign over all or parts of it to their dependents, and to meet the recommendations of the Gates Commission "we must make the volunteer soldier's pay and benefits compatible to those of their civilian counterparts."

The Army's top NCO said he felt that some of the new benefits would help recruiting and retention in the National Guard and Army Reserves. He added that he would like to see the PX and commissary privileges liberalized. But he pointed out that the Guard and reserves should not be entitled to every benefit of active duty soldiers.

On Friday Connelly told a group of soldiers that they weren't in the Army to be students, but to be soldiers. On Monday he explained what he meant. "Our intentions are not to over emphasize formal education. We think we need to have a balance with military education. . . Some people seem to get the idea for a non-commissioned officer to get a degree or two years of college is a criteria. It is not a criteria, it is not a prerequisite. It is a goal."

To help recruiting for the National Guard and Reserves Connelly said, "Our best recruiting tool is a soldier who is satisfied. If we can bring a soldier into the service, who spend their tours, get the GI Bill and get satisfaction for the three years. . . they would be more inticed to join the reserves after they had finished active duty."

The Sergeant Major of the Army expressed concern over the nation's ability to mobilize. "We're just got problems with mobilization which aren't unique to the Guard, which aren't unique to the reserves, which aren't unique to any one service. The country has a problem with its ability or inability to mobilize."

To help improve recruiting and retention, Con-

nelly feels the need to improve training as well as adding new benefits. The Georgia native feels that longer, more interesting and more challenging training is the key to making satisfied soldiers well motivated.

"Training is just what an Army does for a living during peacetime. We need to do it better to satisfy our soldiers," he emphasized.

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"When you wipe away all the benefits, the erosion of benefits. . . young soldiers in grades 5 and below get out of the Army or are dissatisfied with the Army. . . because of too much 'make work', and a lack of self satisfying, rewarding training."

Connelly said that the attitude of the American people toward the Army wasn't much different than it has been in other peacetimes. However he added, "I think right now as a result of Afganistan, as a result of the hostage situation, as a result of ABC's (TV) "Shocking State of Readiness Report," and the results of SALT II discussions, that the general public is showing greater interest in the military's ability to defend the country. . . As a result of their interest, I believe the pendulum is beginning to swing in our direction."

"I don't know if I said this the other day or not, but the Army is a pretty tough team. Our attrition rate (30 percent before the first term completed) still isn't as great as the Dallas Cowboys," Connelly remarked, in defense of today's soldiers, "This is a tough team you gotta be good to make it, you gotta want to make it. I'm telling you that the 70 percent who do make. . . are good soliders. We are as good a soldier as any this nation has ever had. We can do as well in combat as this country has ever done."

"I'm not as discouraged about the quality of the people who make our team. I am more concerned about the equipment than I am about the courage of the American soldier that makes the team."

In closing the Sergeant Major of the Army said, "Yes we are ready to go to war. The question is just how long can we last?"



Top NCO

Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly makes a point during an interview with a group of military journalists as part of his recent visit to the post. Connelly told the journalist that the Army is ready to go to war, but the question is how long could we last?

(Photo by John Green)

For one Presidian life begins at 65

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

The fact that Kiyushi Tanaka is an accounting intern may not surprise anyone.

But the fact that he is a 65-year-old intern embarking on an accounting career when most

people think of retiring may surprise a lot of folks.

But for Tanaka, his late start is just his style. "I have always been a little late," he says. "I was older than most people when I went to school. I

was one of the older guys in my Army unit. I married late.

Actually Tanaka started pursuing his accounting degree years ago when he finished his bachelors degree in the field at the University of Chicago. But a few things just got in the way.

For instance, he decided to enlist in the Army to fulfill his patriotic obligation to the country. When it was discovered that he had not only studied in Japan, but had also taught Japanese at the Univeristy of Chicago, Tanaka was put into military intelligence as a translator.

While he was serving as a sergeant, he decided to put in for a Reserve officers commission. He got it and was promoted to the rank of captain.

After eight years service he left the Army, and he decided to work as a purser on a ship. Finding the job not to his liking, he left and accepted a position with the government as a finance technician. Then he transferred to supply and then the Internal Revenue Service.

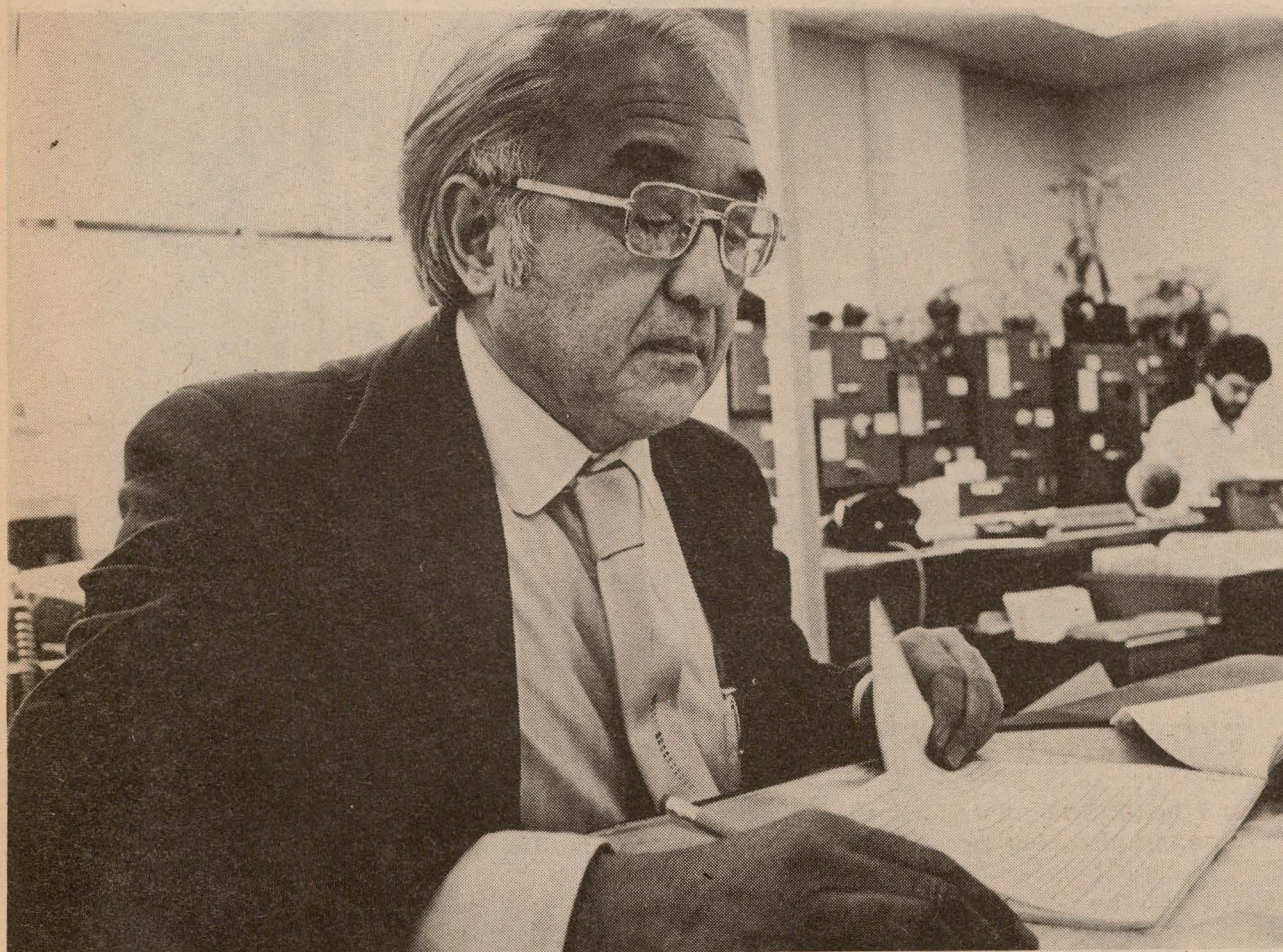
But in the end, Tanaka started working as an accounting technician in commercial accounts at the Presidio comptroller's office.

Noting that the Presidio was where he was inducted into the service, Tanaka says, "I just constantly keep coming back to the Presidio."

While working with the comptroller's office, he kept applying for the accounting intern position he now holds.

After applying for the position for "eight or nine years," Tanaka was finally selected. He says that sometime around December he will complete his internship and take a job as a management expert in the quality assurance branch.

"I just do the best I can do everyday," says Tanaka. "It is part of my Buddhist philosophy. The past is already past and you can't see what's in the future. You only have the present."



Beginning a new career

Kiyushi Tanaka works at his desk in the comptroller's office. At age 65 Tanaka is completing his

internship as a management expert. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Ghostly appearances spook Presidio museum workers, visitors

by Tom Tiernan

He began climbing the steps toward the second floor. About half way up he felt hands on his shoulders. He couldn't continue any further. He turned **but there was no one there.**

That incident marked the first appearance or non-appearance of the "Ghost of the Presidio Army Museum."

According to museum curator, Eric Saul, the ghost made his presence known to the staff in 1973. Saul and two other museum employees had just moved to San Francisco and were given permission to live in the museum which had been used for over 100 years as a hospital.

Oldest building on post

"It is the oldest building on post," said Saul. "It was a maze of rooms, over a hundred in fact. The building would rock and creak at night."

About a month after the trio arrived, they were sleeping in what had once been the hospital's morgue. "One of us had to go to the bathroom which was upstairs. As he started climbing the steps he felt someone grab him by the shoulders. He couldn't go any further and he didn't go to the bathroom."

The trio laughed off the incident thinking it was just their imaginations running wild, but things continued to happen which made them feel that perhaps a ghost had indeed taken up residence in the building.

Tripping alarms?

By 1975 ultrasonic burglar alarms had been installed in the building. The devices are able to pick up the slightest motion in a room. Suddenly one night the alarms went off. The MPs arrived on the scene and couldn't find any trace of forcible entry into the building. The next day the staff could find no clues that anyone had been in the museum the night before.

To this day the alarms go off for no explainable reason.

Saul states that six people have asked him after touring the museum if there is a ghost.

The ghost, described as the head and shoulders of a man, generally appears hovering in one place and then moves quickly out of sight.

The third floor of the museum, where the ghost appears, served as an operating theater during the Spanish-American war. The ghost is spotted almost always at the end of the month or around a new moon.

Man walking room to room

Another "ghostly" experience occurred in 1975 when a couple sitting at the bus stop at the corner of Funston Ave. and Lincoln Blvd. spotted what appeared to be a man in the museum walking from room to room with a flashlight. They called the military police who notified Saul.

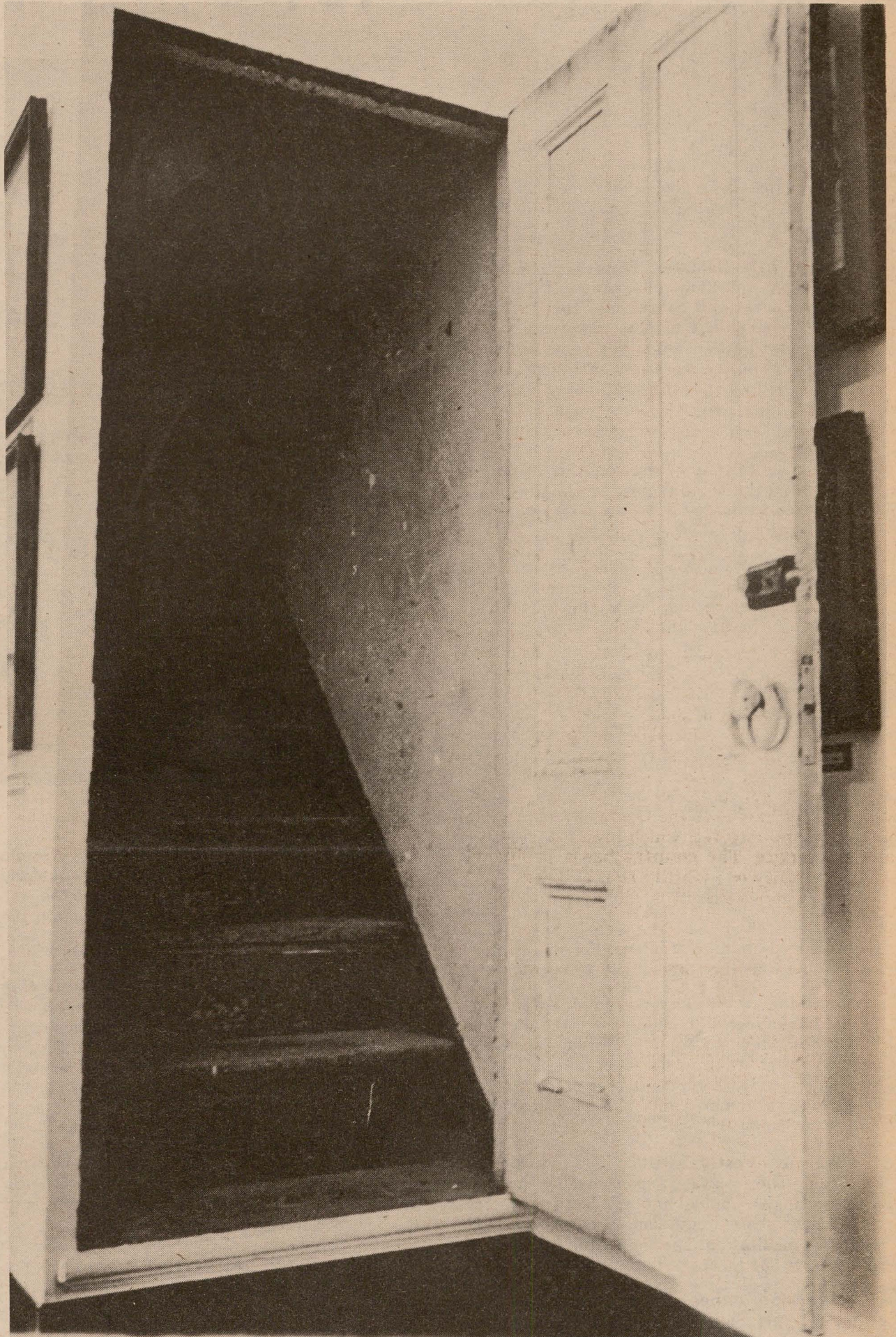
"I raced back here as quickly as I could and was shocked to see lights on in the museum," stated Saul. "But the MPs couldn't find any signs of forced entry and there was no evidence that anyone had been in the building."

The ghost is thought to have appeared again in 1976. "Several of us were working on a new exhibit and decided to go out about 10 p.m. to get pizza. One guy said he wasn't hungry and would work through. When we came back we found him sitting in his car shaking saying he didn't know what was up there, but he as never going into the building again," Saul added.

Costumed guide appears

In 1978, a visitor to the museum told Saul that she had enjoyed the costumed guide. Since the facility had no such guide and Saul was the only one in the building, he asked the lady to describe the individual.

The woman described the guide as a young man in a civil war costume. So Saul searched the building and **found no one.**



Spooky staircase

What waits behind this door? Could it be the ghost of the Presidio Army Museum?

The last known appearance of the ghost occurred in 1979. A museum employee once again attempted to climb the steps to the third floor at night. At the top of the stairs he saw the ghost with a 'scowling' look on his face. He climbed no further.

There have been other incidents, however, which indicate that the ghost is still present. Flying or falling objects has raised the staff's curiosity. But one incident is unexplainable.

"I had been cutting a piece of paper with the museum crest on it. When I laid it down it suddenly started spinning around. When I put my hand on top, it stopped. When I lifted my hand, it began spinning again," Saul relates.

"The entire mood of the building changes at night," says Saul. "One night about a dozen of us were working on the third floor when about midnight we got this nervous feeling, an anxious feeling, almost an ache in the stomach. All of us said at once let's get out of here. 'No one can stay in here at night without getting that feeling.'"

Many visitors to the museum have included

past employees of the hospital. Three generations of workers have stated that they too have experienced or heard about the ghost while working there.

Saul has talked to a "ghost expert" who became quite excited when he learned that the building has three elements in common with other places where ghosts have been sighted. The elements include a water source, the museum has a cistern; the ghost appears around the end of the month; and there have been many deaths.

The experts wanted to come back and set up cameras, but Saul doesn't want to turn the museum into a side show.

"All of us have a sentimental feeling about the building. Besides we want it to be a learning facility and not a circus," Saul explains. "We also don't want to mess with something we don't understand or to disturb whoever the ghost is, if he truly exists."

So for now, we'll have to wait to see if the "Ghost of the Presidio Museum" is real or is the work of over-creative imaginations.

Time to spare

China comes to town this weekend

The **China Exhibition** opens Saturday at the Fort Mason Center. The show is the first trade exhibition from the Republic of China to ever show in this country. Antiques valued at 3.5 million from China's early dynasties are among the many attractions at the China exhibition.

Advance tickets are available from Emporium Capwell and are required for the show which continues through Sept. 28.

"The White House: Treasury of Our Heritage," is the name of a unique exhibit at Macy's Department Store on Stockton and O'Farrell streets. The exhibit displays art and antiques used by Presidents and their families. The display is on the store's seventh floor and is open from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is free.

Members of the **San Francisco Artists' Guild** will display their paintings, sculptures and prints from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday in Huntington Park on Nob Hill.

A **fall fashion show** will be held in the West Plaza at Ghirardelli Square beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday. The show highlights clothes for the season from several of the Square's shops.

A **Victorian Days** fair will be held Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Central Park in San Mateo. The fair features arts and crafts exhibits and entertainment.

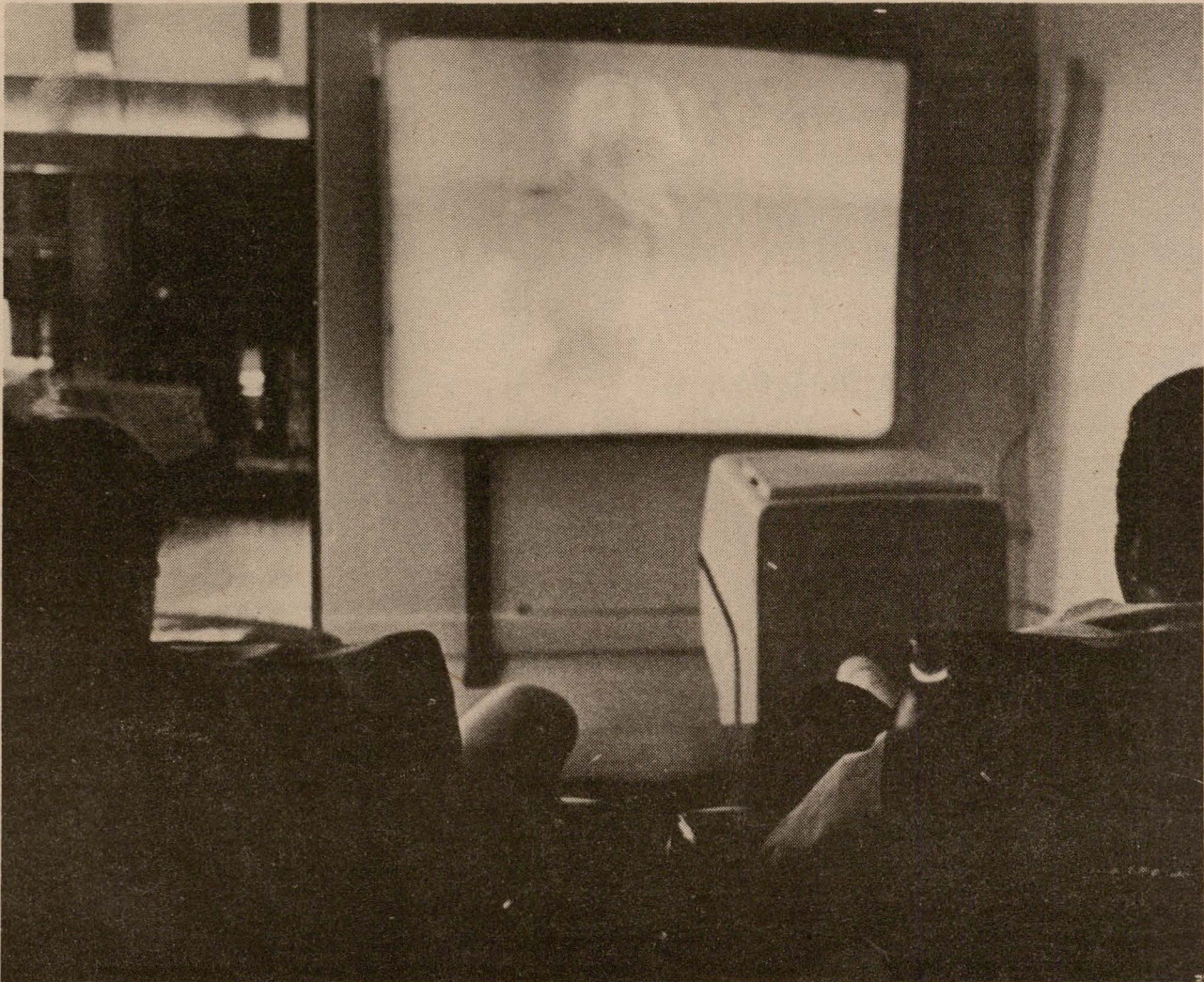
The **Eighth Annual Blues Festival** happens Saturday from noon to 7 p.m. on the Band Course in **Golden Gate Park**.

The **Marin Designer's Showcase** continues through Oct. 5. The talents of thirty Bay Area designers and landscapers have turned a rustic shingled home in Marin into a showplace. The house is located at 134 Palm Ave. in San Rafael across from Dominican College. For more information and tour times telephone 459-9440.

An **intensive two-day television programming workshop** will be held at the Central YMCA Saturday and Sunday. The workshop will include script writing, production, hands on training in video equipment and production of video tape. For more information contact the YMCA at 885-0460.

A **Wellness Festival** will be held Saturday in Palo Alto. The festival is sponsored by the San Andreas Health Council and will feature experts in healing, stress reduction, bodywork, movement and meditation. The show runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 531 Cowper St.

Polynesian dance classes for adults and children start Saturday at the Fort Mason Center. Instructor for the classes is Raymoki Keili Engler, director of the Moemoea Dance Troupe. Call 885-0460 for more information.



Big screen for big game

A couple of soldiers watch on at the Presidio Recreation Center as the Dallas Cowboys beat the Washington Redskins Monday night. The rec center offers Presidians a chance to watch the

Monday night games on their big screen television for free. Refreshments are available at a slight fee next Monday, Houston takes on Cleveland. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Wednesday, the **San Francisco Cable Car Chorus**, a men's barbershop harmony group, will hold an open house for interested male singers beginning at 7:45 p.m. in the Christ Church Lutheran on 20th Ave. and Wunitara. For more information contact Don Kington at 662-6956.

More than 50,000 books will be sold during the **Book Fair** this weekend in Menlo Park. The fair runs from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday. Site for the fair is the Menlo Park Civic Center Library on Alma and Ravenswood Avenues.

The Presidio Recreation Center is offering a class in **cake decorating** starting **Tuesday at 7 p.m.** Cost for the four week course is \$15.

The Rec Center also has tickets available for **"The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas"** for the evenings of Sept. 18 and 23. Ticket price is \$14.50.

Other tickets available through the center include **Great America** tickets, and tickets to the **Giants, Forty-Niners** and **Raiders** home games.

The Rec Center has the following tours upcoming: **Frontier Village**, Saturday, \$3; **Great America**, Sept. 20, \$11; and **Marine World/Africa USA**, Sept. 27, \$3. For more information on any Rec Center programs or activities call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

Here's a list of upcoming concerts in the Bay Area.

Gordon Lightfoot
Sept. 14, 8 p.m.
Concord Pavilion

Bonnie Raitt and Tim Weisberg
Sept. 14, 3 p.m.
Greek Theatre at U.C. Berkeley

Presidio's movie scene and flick preview

Movies

- Sept. 11—"10" (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 12—"10" (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 13—The Golden Voyage of Sinbad (G) 2 p.m.
- Sept. 14—Airplane (PG) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 15—Airplane (PG) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 16—Airplane (PG) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 17—The Happy Hooker Goes Hollywood (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 18—Mad Max (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 19—Mary Poppins (G) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 20—Mary Poppins (G) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 21—Brubaker (R)

Letterman's Schwartz Theater

- Sept. 11—Amityville Horror (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 12—Star Trek—The Motion Picture (G) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 15—Cheech & Chong's Next

Movie (R) 7 p.m.

- Sept. 16—Cheech & Chong's Next Movie (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 17—Kill or Be Killed (PG) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 18—Bruce Lee Fights Back From the Grave (R) 7 p.m.
- Sept. 19—"10" (R) 7 p.m.

Presidian Preview

A take off on all those disaster-in-the-air movies, **Airplane** taxies out of the hangar loaded with laughs. Included in the crew are a pilot with peculiar inclinations, a singing nun, a co-pilot who looks suspiciously like Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, a doctor whose nose grows when he tells a lie and an assortment of other oddballs. **Warning:** Some material may not be suited for children. But adults don't miss this outrageously funny movie.

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

(As the football season gets underway, the Star Presidian is happy to present its own "peerless prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak and his picks of the week.)

Tampa Bay over Los Angeles, 10-9 (Upset of the Week)

Tampa Bay will prove that the Bucs don't stop here. Behind their young quarterback, they will show that it is indeed a good year for oranges.

San Diego over Oakland, 27-16

San Diego has Fouts and Oakland doesn't have the clout.

San Francisco over St. Louis, 19-17

The Forty-Niners are up and coming and the Cards are down and going.

New England over Atlanta, 23-9

If Atlanta couldn't beat Minnesota, they surely won't overcome New England.

Miami over Cincinnati, 28-14

Cincinnati is out this year to prove that they really aren't bad losers.

Dallas over Denver, 17-12

The Orange Crush would have to be a "mile high" to dream of whipping the Cowboys.

Detroit over Green Bay, 24-10

The Pack may be back... but not in Green Bay.

Chicago over New Orleans, 30-27

New Orleans will get diabetes from "Sweetness."

N. Y. Jets over Buffalo, 31-27

New York will soar past the Bills.

Philadelphia over Minnesota, 27-7

The Eagles will feed on the Mighty Mice of Bloomington.

Pittsburgh over Baltimore, 23-13

Just one more win on the Steeler's road to the superbowl.

Seattle over Kansas City, 21-10

The Seahawks will be a Zorn in the Chief's side.

Washington over N. Y. Giants, 16-14

The Redskins will be out for scalps after their loss to Dallas Monday.

Houston over Cleveland, 27-20

The Oilers will pull the old quarterback Snake.



On the run

Four post runners try their legs on the recently completed jogging path. The path was constructed by members of the Youth Conservation Corp who

spent the summer working here. Members of the Corp look on. (Photo by John Green)

Mead, Buffaloe, James, win

The 1980 post racquetball tournament was concluded over last weekend with the following results.

In the women's division finals **Lydia Mead**, 6th Army, defeated LAMC's **Emila Lozano**, for the second time, 15-2, 15-5. Earlier in the semi-finals Mead had a much more difficult time dispensing with Lozano, coming from behind in first game from a 4-11 deficite to win 15-11 and went on in the second game to hold on to a 15-14 decision.

In the senior division, **Laurance Buffaloe**, OAB, defeated **John Funes**, USAG, in a tough match 8-15, 15-4 and 15-9. In the final game, Buffaloe's power hitting proved too much for Funes to handle. Buffaloe eventually won 15-9.

In the open finals, the number one seed **Bill James**, LAMC, totally dominated the match against the number two seed, **Michael O'Conners**, LAMC. James won 15-3 and 15-4. James controlled the final from the very beginning to its end, relying on his tremendous backhand and control game to keep his opponent constantly on the defensive.

Men's Open

Bill James, LAMC	first place
Michael O'Conner, LAIR	second place
Alfred Viramontes, 864th Eng.	third place
Pepper Fourroux, USAG	fourth place

Senior Division

Laurance Buffaloe, OAB	first place
John Funes, USAG	second place

Bill Lehrfeld, Region Nine	third place
Bently Hill, Sixth Army	fourth place
Women's Division	
Lydia Mead, Sixth Army	first place
Emila Lozano, LAMC	second place
Patricia Moffiet, Sixth Army	third place
Diane Trail, LAIR	fourth place

Due to a change in the dates of FORSCOM racquetball tournament, the scheduled Presidio racquetball tournament for the selection of players to represent the post has been changed. Winners will be playing for the post championships with points being awarded towards the Commander's Cup Trophy.

Fun run race set

The next fun run race will take place on Sept. 17 at noon over a five mile course. The start and finish will be at post gym No. 1, Building 63. A map of the route is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of gym No. 1. All runners on post, male an female, are invited to participate in this monthly venture. All finishers will receive their time and place. The race is a chance to meet fellow runners, run a new course or go for a fast time. For more information call Bob Darling at 561-4120.

Presidio News Notes

All-American week planned

The Presidio will host an "All American Week" Oct. 28 through Nov. 1 which will highlight the contributions of five separate cultures to the American way of life.

According to Capt. Ronald G. Seikel, project officer for the Human Resources Development Division, the contributions of Hispanic, Asian-Pacific, Black, European and Native American cultures will be featured in the festivities.

The festival will include cultural food booths, ethnic performers and dancers, arts and crafts, bands and displays.

According to Seikel the selection of the different cultures to be highlighted during the week was the result of a desire on his equal opportunity staff to include at least one ethnic group with which everyone could identify.

Seikel says the All American Week activities will not replace the separate ethnic celebrations such as Black History Month in February. But he notes that, "Normally when we have ethnic activities, only members of that particular group tend to show up. During All American Week, we hope to bring everyone together as Americans."

Seikel says that the committees are still looking for individuals to participate in the week. He suggests that if anyone feels that they have something they would like to display during the week, they should contact him or any other project officer at 561-5730/3701/4602.

Open House

The Creative Cottage is hosting a fall open house Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The cottage, formerly Creations Unlimited, features handmade items crafted by active duty and retired soldiers, their dependents and civilian employees from the Presidio. During the open house a variety of demonstrations will be presented.

Tuesday	
11:30—12:30 p.m.	Calligraphy
11:30—1:30 p.m.	Candle Carving
2—3:30 p.m.	Quilting
Wednesday	
11—1 p.m.	Cake Decorating
Noon—1 p.m.	Stained Glass
1—2:30 p.m.	Tote Bag Crafting
1—3 p.m.	Tote Painting
Thursday	
11:30—1:30 p.m.	Silk Screening
12:30—1:30 p.m.	Molded Chocolate Candies
1:30—2:30 p.m.	Cooking
1:30—3:15 p.m.	Off-Loom Weaving

The shop is located in building 558 on Letterman Drive. For more information contact Susan Salter at 561-4334/4116.

Delivery on Friday

ACS officials report that they have been receiving numerous complaints about late delivery of the Star Presidian to quarters residents.

Readers are reminded that the delivery date is still Fridays for quarters residents. Anyone not receiving their papers on Friday should check with their area delivery person. To find out who that person is call ACS at 561-5156.

NCOs sought for course

The Organizational Effectiveness NCO program has been established at Fort Ord and NCOs will soon be attending the Organizational Effectiveness Staff Officer course starting in January.

Interested soldiers desiring to become an Organizational Effectiveness NCO must be:

- In grades E-7 through E-9.
- Be proficient in their primary MOS.

- Be an advanced NCOES graduate.
- Have two years of college, preferably in a behavioral science background.
- Must not be overweight.
- Can not be in a shortage MOS.
- Have no record of a court-martial or Article 15 in the past 10 years.

- Upon graduation must have a minimum of 12 months service remaining prior to ETS.

Applicants must be interviewed and recommended by the organization effectiveness staff officer prior to their selection to attend the 16 week course.

Applications should be submitted on a DA Form 4187 through normal channels.

For more information or a personal interview Sixth Army soldiers should contact Maj. Perautl at 561-4894 and USAG troops should phone Capt. Welsh at 561-6084.

NCO luncheon planned

Former Sergeant Major of the Army, Leon Van Autreve, will visit the post Sept. 17 on behalf of the Noncommissioned Officers Association. A no-host luncheon will be held at the Presidio NCO/EM club that day beginning at 11:30.

For more information contact CSM George at 561-4652 or 1st Sgt. Brown at 561-2361.

All soldiers are invited to attend.

Catholic classes to start

Religious classes for all Catholic children attending public schools in grades kindergarten through eight, will begin **Saturday** at the Religious Activities Center from 9 to 11 a.m. Bus service will be provided.

For information contact Doris Munstermann at 561-3535 or 4440.

Jobs available

The Civilian Personnel Office is accepting applications for registered nurses, nuclear medicine technicians, inhalation therapy technicians and pharmacists. Interested persons should contact Ms. McCauley at 561-5754 for more information.



Down by the beautiful sea

The fury of the sea is captured in this "Photo of the Week" by Sp4 Bojan Campbell of the 163rd

MP Co. The Star Presidian seeks photos each week to fill this spot. If you have a picture you'd

like to see here, bring it by the newsroom, room 216, Bldg. 37.

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Bike thefts on the rise again

The Presidio Provost Marshal's Office is investigating nearly \$1000 worth of bike thefts as a result of a recent upswing in the number of stolen bicycles.

According to Sgt. James Benishek of the MP's Crime Prevention Office, nearly all of the thefts occurred at Letterman Army Medical Center. He suggests that this is due in part to the area's "high traffic."

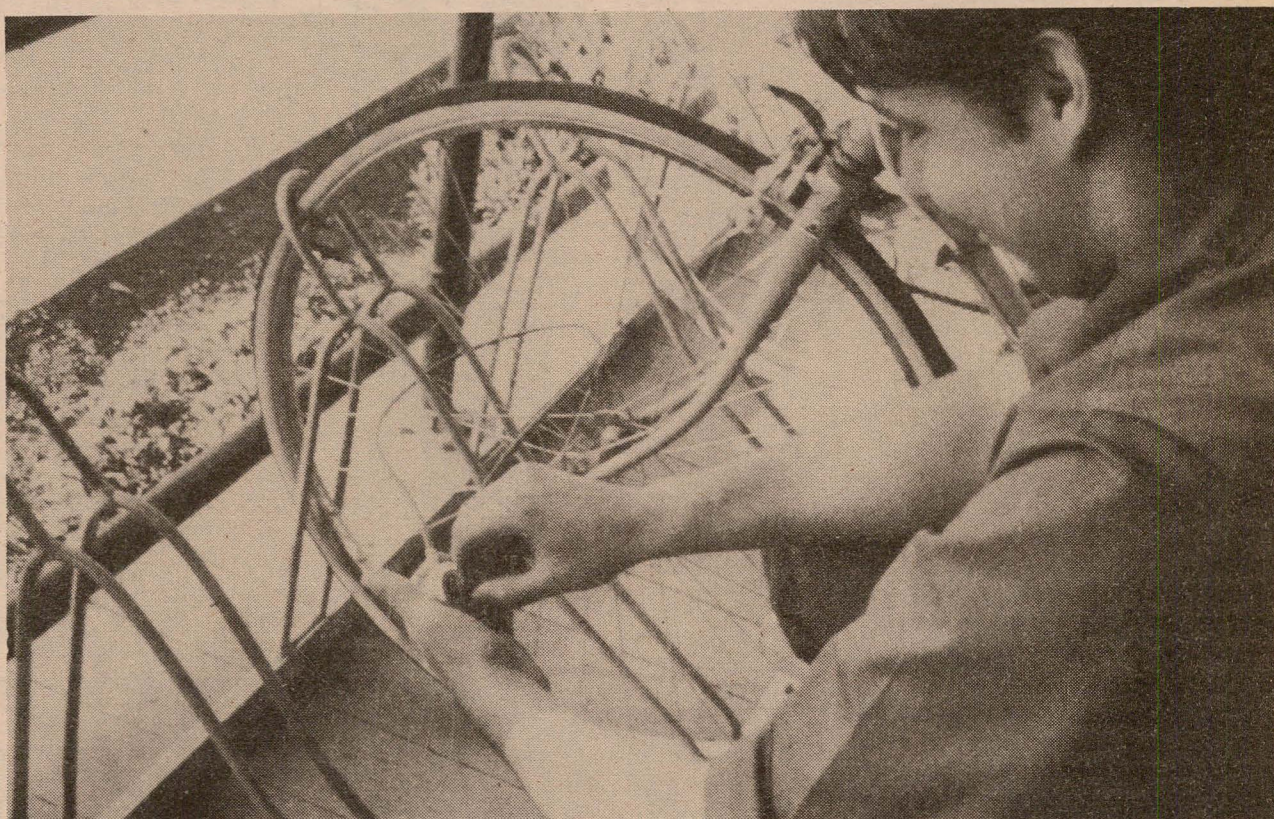
Two bicycles were stolen from LAMC last week. None of a number of bikes stolen since July have yet been recovered and the cases remain under investigation.

Benishek suggests that bike owners buy heavy duty locks and insure that their bicycles are secured and locked up whenever they are left unattended.

He also urges bike owners to not only register their bikes with the MPs, but also engrave their own identification number—their driver's license or social security number—on the bikes as a means of further identification.

"Another thing that bike owners could do that would really help," Benishek says, "is to take a photograph of their bikes."

The number of reported bike thefts jumped in mid-summer, says Benishek, after a "relatively quiet period. MPs broke up an on post bike theft ring in April which had been stealing bikes with the aid of a manufacturer's code book which listed lock combinations.



Stopping a thief

PFC Bob Kutnink of LAMC locks his bike as a guard against would be thieves. The number of

bike thefts has jumped since mid-summer. (Photo by Debbie Schoettlin).

Benefit bills clarified

With the explosion of pay and benefit related action in Washington recently, many Presidio soldiers may be confused about just what is authorized under the Nunn-Warner Amendment and the Department of Defense (DoD). FY 81 Authorization Bill.

According to officials at the Department of the Army, many soldiers incorrectly believe that expanded dental benefits for dependents under the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) are a part of either bill. They note that the expanded dental coverage is a part of the President's "Fair Benefits Package" which is still under consideration by Congress.

The DA officials say that confusion arose because of incorrect reports by some news services and the fact that some of the benefits proposed in the Fair Benefits Package are among those authorized by the Nunn-Warner Amendment and the DoD Authorization Bill.

The Nunn-Warner Amendment, signed by the President last week, includes authorization for a variable housing allowance, a lifting of the 10 cent per mile PCS reimbursement rate, a 10 percent increase in the subsistence allowance and an increase in flight pay.

The FY 81 DoD Authorization Bill, also signed into law last week, includes an 11.7 percent pay increase and a family separation allowance for junior enlisted soldiers.

Aimed at cohesion, stability

Meyer makes changes

The Army Chief of Staff has announced a number of major changes aimed at developing unit cohesion and increasing combat readiness.

Gen. Edward C. Meyer directed the changes as a means of tackling what he sees as the number one problem in the Army—"manning the force."

Meyer spoke at length on that topic in June during his visit to the Presidio. He suggested then trying a unit rotation scheme patterned after the British regimental system as a means of increasing cohesion in units and building closer relationships between soldiers. The unit rotation idea is one of several changes Meyer announced.

To increase unit stability, Meyer announced changes which include:

- Development of a test plan to rotate entire companies of soldiers as an alternative to the individual replacement system.
- Recruitment of new soldiers to support the company rotation idea.
- Standardization of the manning and equipping of combat units.
- Elimination of the practice of bringing units up to strength for exercises and begin a policy where units will "come as they are."
- Reduction by attrition of overseas strengths to 100 percent.
- Elimination of overstrengths which had been common practice in certain selected units.
- Requirement of company commanders to remain in command for 18 months.

When he made the announcement of the changes, Meyer prefaced it by saying, "Small units—companies, platoons, squads, teams and crews—are the cutting edge of the fighting force. Personnel readiness of these units depends heavily on the length of time soldiers spend in their units and their loyalty to their fellow soldiers and their units as a whole."

The Chief of Staff suggested that the problem of manning the force is not just a question of "Can you get the people?" but rather a threefold problem.

"One is accession (recruiting); two is the training—the individual training once we get them; and three is insuring we have a system that brings them up to full readiness, keeps them together and maximizes their combat capability," Meyer explained.

Meyer also announced several changes planned to "create a climate for closer relationships of soldiers to each other and to the unit." These changes include plans to:

- Permit periodic changes in the times when officers will be eligible for promotion to first lieutenant, captain and major to help overcome officer shortages at those levels.
- Authorize the wearing of insignia for soldiers in basic training as soon as their future unit assignment is known and permit the wear of distinctive accoutrements once they arrive at their permanent station.
- Develop additional peacetime awards and unique uniform items.
- Study pay proposals that more clearly reflect degrees of experience and responsibility to make sure trained leaders are retained.

One last theme, the Army's top enlisted soldier, SMA William Connelly, told Presidio soldiers recently that the difference in pay between E-4 and E-5 is "hardly enough to make it worth shining your shoes for."

Meyer also said he expects to make a decision soon on the wearing of berets. He said that he leans toward approving the beret as an eventual replacement for the garrison cap for all soldiers with certain differences to support unit cohesion.

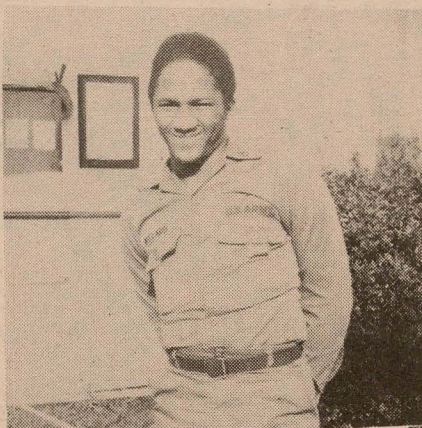
As soon as the details are worked out, Meyer said all the measures and perhaps some more will take effect.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

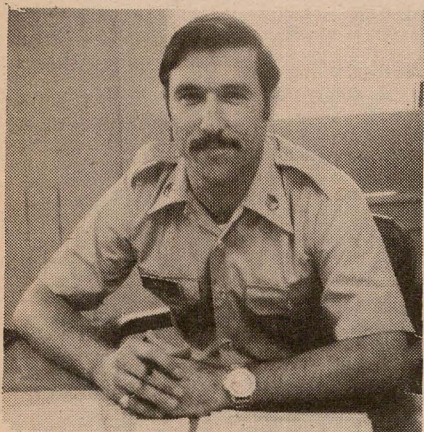
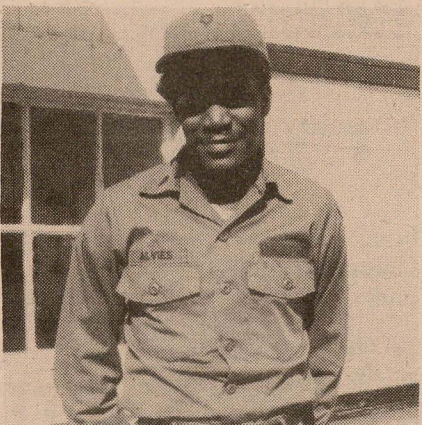
How does the 11.7 percent pay raise affect you?

PFC Gregory Willard, 864th Engineers—"The extra money will benefit my family and I because of the high cost of living expenses."



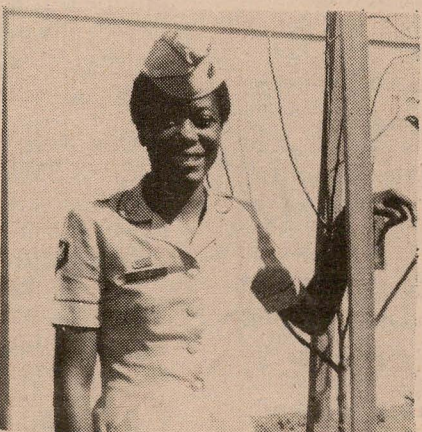
1st Sgt. William Thomas, 170th MP—"My basic pay is sufficient to reside in a high cost area, therefore, the extra money will be beneficial to me as well as assisting the lower enlisted personnel with families. I feel this and the extra benefits will enhance the Army's image for new enlistees."

Sp5 Gary Alvies, Motor Pool—"The pay raise along with the extra benefits will provide the money needed for my travel expenses when PCSing next month to Germany."



SSgt. Robert White, Compact—"The pay raise will compensate the difference in TDY funds between the military and civilians."

Sp4 Sharon Ashe, LAMC—"The pay raise will give me the extra money needed, where the cost of living is high."



So long, Tom

Dear Readers,

This week's **Star Presidian** marks my debut as editor. While the challenges of my new position are exciting, I assume my duties with a bit of reluctance as it means replacing one of the very finest, SSgt. Tom Tiernan.

Tom has been forced to hang up his blue pencil because of the extreme personnel shortage in the Public Affairs Office. Recent departures by several key individuals have depleted our ranks and Tom's talents and skills are required elsewhere.

During his time as editor of the **Star Presidian**, Tom raised a struggling paper up and turned it into a well-read publication. His dedication and hard work are reflected in the number of commendations and awards the **Star Presidian** has

received from FORSCOM and Department of the Army.

But I think more than for any plaudits from above, Tom's desire to turn the paper into a first class product stemmed from his care and devotion to his readers. I know that Tom considered the response from his audience much more important than the top rating of DA which this paper now enjoys.

I am reminded of a comment by an old Sergeant Major who once told me that the acid test of how well or poorly you had done a job was whether or not you could look back and honestly tell yourself that the place was better than when you started. If Tom ever asks himself if the paper is any better than when he took its reins, I am sure that he will get a resounding "Yes."

Sp5 Jon Chelgren

Week honors Hispanics

National Hispanic Heritage Week formally recognizes the contributions made to our country by men and women of Hispanic ancestry—first as explorers, then as settlers, and today as active participants and leaders in all segments of society.

Such contributions, both military and civilian, stem from the earliest days of our nation's history. In fact, today's Puerto Rican National Guard, the oldest unit in the U.S. Armed Forces, can trace its beginnings to the fight against Sir Francis Drake in 1595, nearly 200 years before there was a United States.

Puerto Ricans first served as scouts and interpreters with the U.S. Armed Forces during the Spanish-American War of 1898 and they have served in many capacities with courage and distinction in every U.S. war since then.

"Remember the Alamo," the rallying cry throughout the Mexican-American War of 1846-1948, recalled the heroic defense of that San Antonio, Texas, mission-fort by both the Anglo and Mexican-Americans who died fighting there in 1836.

Nearly 30 years later, during the U.S. Civil War, many Mexican-Americans in Texas fought for the Union against the Confederacy. In 1964, John Ortega, who served in the federal navy abroad the U.S.S. Saratoga, became the first Spanish surnamed serviceman to receive the Medal of Honor. Since that time 30 Hispanic Americans have received

the Medal of Honor, our nation's highest award, while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Mexican-Americans again served their country as members of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders in Cuba during the Spanish-American War and their skill in handling horses and rifles while on horseback proved invaluable. After that war, many Mexican-American veterans returned to their home state and joined the New Mexico National Guard which was subsequently mobilized under General John J. Pershing in 1916 during his Punitive Expedition against Mexican bandits raiding along the U.S. border.

Hispanic-Americans served with distinction during both world wars. In WW II, Spanish-speaking soldiers served valiantly in Sicily as a part of the 45th Division; others in the Philippines, where many of them were killed or wounded in the Bataan campaign.

The courageous service of Hispanic-Americans during the Korean War is exemplified by PFC Joseph Rodriguez who with his unit attacked and neutralized four enemy positions while under heavy fire.

Hispanic-Americans also saw extensive combat service during the Vietnam War and were highly decorated for their performance.

Today, more than 66,000 Hispanic-American servicemen and women contribute to the nation's defense.

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Busic named Citizen of Quarter

"I swore a long time ago that if I ever got the chance to help teenagers learn and grow up, I would," is how CWO 2 Merle Busic explains his dedication to a host of youth activities.

That dedication in part helped him to be named the Presidio community's "Citizen of the Quarter."

Busic, intelligence officer for the Army Intelligence and Security Command at Fort Scott, received the honor based upon his involvement with kids not only as a Boy Scout leader but as a football coach for George Washington High School as well.

He served in a variety of positions with the scouts, ranging from assistant scoutmaster to Boy Scouts chapter advisor for the City of San Francisco since his arrival here in April 1978. Because of the demands on his time, Busic says he was forced to resign from his chapter advisor role in June.

Still, Busic is active as a special coach for the George Washington High football team for which he trains young athletes for selected positions.

According to Busic, one of the most disturbing things about being involved in youth activities is the apathy on the part of many parents.

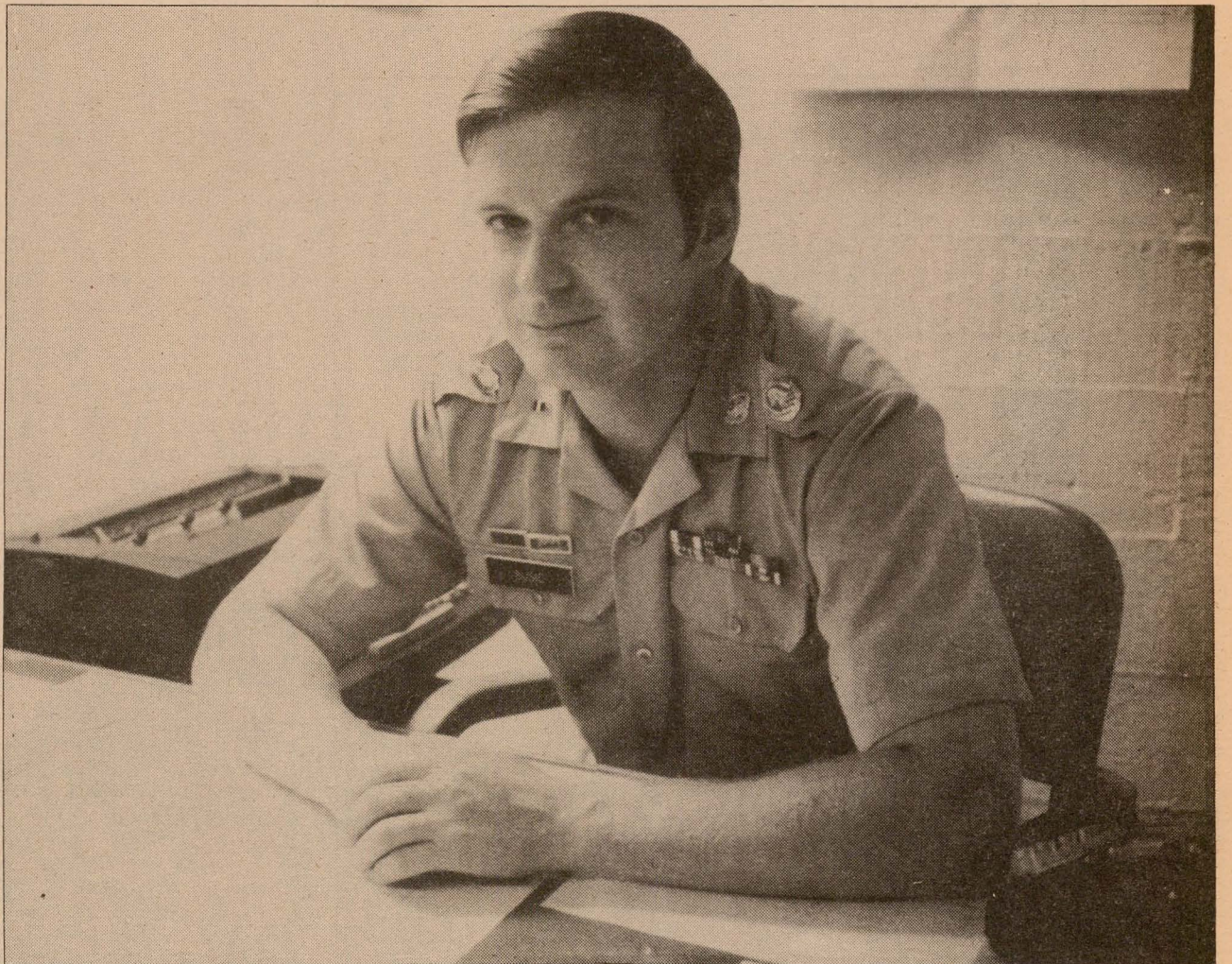
"It is so easy in a military community to make excuses for noninvolvement," he says. "Whenever I have been involved with teens over the years, I have discovered that they are screaming for attention from adults."

Busic says that he sees his job as an adult involved with teens as helping them "understand their new roles as adults."

As for his coaching job, Busic says he stresses team work as the key to success on and off the field.

"In modern society," he says, "you have got to have teamwork. If those teens learn nothing else, I get them to see that they can accomplish a lot more by working together."

Raised on a ranch, Busic credits an isolated existence as a child for his involvement with youths. When he entered the Army he says he had problems adjusting to the thousands of people he suddenly found around him compared to the lonely life on the ranch.



A busy man

CWO 2 Merle Busic has been selected as Presidio's Citizen of the Quarter for his heavy

involvement in youth activities. (Photo by Debbie Schoettlin)

Asked how he finds the time to balance the demands of the youth activities with the demands of his military job, Busic says, "There are those days which begins about 6:30 a.m. and aren't over until 11:30 or 12:30 at night."

Busic's selection as the Citizen of the Quarter was not the first time he has been honored for his contributions to others.

In 1969 he received an Outstanding Young Man of America award from the National Junior Chamber of Commerce for his work as an agricultural advisor in Ethiopia.

"We tried to teach farmers techniques to improve their crop yields," says Busic. That meant traveling through out the country teaching members of often primitive village tribes simple things like boiling water before drinking.

In one village, Busic says that he and a colleague were accused of witchcraft for doing just that because the water was "miraculously" clear after the boiling.

"I also remember," says Busic, "one village where a teenager came up and rubbed my skin because he had never seen a white man before."

DEERS start worries some

Now that active duty enrollment in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) is underway, a number of Presidio soldiers have been worried that their dependents will be denied health care benefits if they are not enrolled soon.

But according to Lt. Col. Merrill Monk, chief of LAMC's Patient Administration Division, **no one holding a valid ID card will be turned away from any of the hospital's clinics.**

He notes that his office will be checking DEERS enrollment beginning Nov. 1, but stresses that the check will not be a part of any pre-screening process.

"For example," Monk says, "we may check one day on the previous days patients to see if they are enrolled."

Noting that there will be an extended "phase in" period of the DEERS system, Monk says it could be some time before ID card holders would be refused medical services.

By 1982 more than nine million people are expected to be enrolled in the DEERS system, a computerized means of checking verifying a persons eligibility of for military health benefits.

DEERS officials say that the benefits of the new system include elimination of fraud by ineligible persons seeking health care and an accurate means of determining the number of persons eligible for such care.

By improving that accuracy, officials hope to improve their health care budget and personnel and facilities requirement forecasts.

Persons with questions concerning the DEERS system, should contact 1st Lt. Shiela Dominguez at 561-4405/4214/4391.



'Commence firing!'

A member of USAG blasts a target during a trip to the Fort Ord ranges last week. USAG soldiers "zeroed" and qualified with their M16s as a part of SQT training. According to

SSgt. Jim Edwards, USAG Training NCO, the training was "highly successful." This week soldiers are testing their skills at the gas mask range. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)



PFC Timothy Pool of the 571st MP Company demonstrates riot control position

'Many of the hours are spent waiting ...'

Story and photos by Bob Mahoney

The white barracks cover 15 city blocks. Surrounding them are two 10-foot high chain link fences, each topped by a three-foot coil of concertina wire. Culverts and drainage ditches are blocked by heavy steel bars. Armed guards from seven different federal agencies patrol.

This is not a prison. It is a detention area for thousands of Cuban refugees who have fled their island home for freedom. They are waiting here and at other U.S. centers for sponsorship by an American citizen.

In the early days, sponsorship came at a rate of 150 to 200 people per day. Now it has dwindled to 20 at best.

The Cuban refugees have no legal status in the United States. With this non status comes the need for detention.

And part of the job of providing that detention falls on 25 members of the 504th Military Police Battalion from Fort Scott who are now manning the Fort Chaffee Refugee Center Provost Marshall's Office. These soldiers, led by Maj. Thomas McHugh, arrived at Fort Chaffee July 28 for 90 days duty.

"We're looking forward to getting back to the San Francisco fog," says 1st Lt. Kim Fall who is running the S-4 section in the office. "A cool day here would be 85 degrees with a breeze. And that hasn't happened yet."

The heat is perhaps the most uncomfortable part of the assignment. SSgt. Richard Modglin, assistant operations NCO, says that "the food is ample, support from the post is excellent and we have a roof over our heads. It's a whole lot better than the field."

Modglin added that he was surprised at the 504th's assignment to Fort Chaffee all the way from the Bay Area, but "we all started to look forward to it. The experience here is great. You

know, training is one thing, but doing is another. Here, we're doing."

Modglin says, "The refugees have decent living conditions and good food, things they might not have had in their native Cuba."

And he adds, "I just hope that the people here and outside get an insight into what we are doing and why we are doing it."

Among the benefits of being sent to Fort Chaffee, according to both Fall and Modglin, is that they can take advantage of the experience and knowledge of other units, including the Reserve Components who have been at Fort Chaffee during summer training.

"I've got a lot of respect for the reserve units we worked with this year," says Fall. "They did an outstanding job."

Modglin echoed those comments, adding, "Some of the things that we do are better than procedures used by other units. And some of theirs are better. Here, we all work together."

In addition to the reserve units, the Presidio Military Police are working with units from Fort Ord, Fort Sill, Fort Benning and Fort Polk. Each unit brings an expertise that is shared with the others.

The camaraderie of the units is shared as well. Sgt. Mazie Brewerington, who works in the S-4 section, pointed out that all of the people at Chaffee are "friendly and always willing to help. Our job is less difficult because of the outstanding support from the post and the other units."

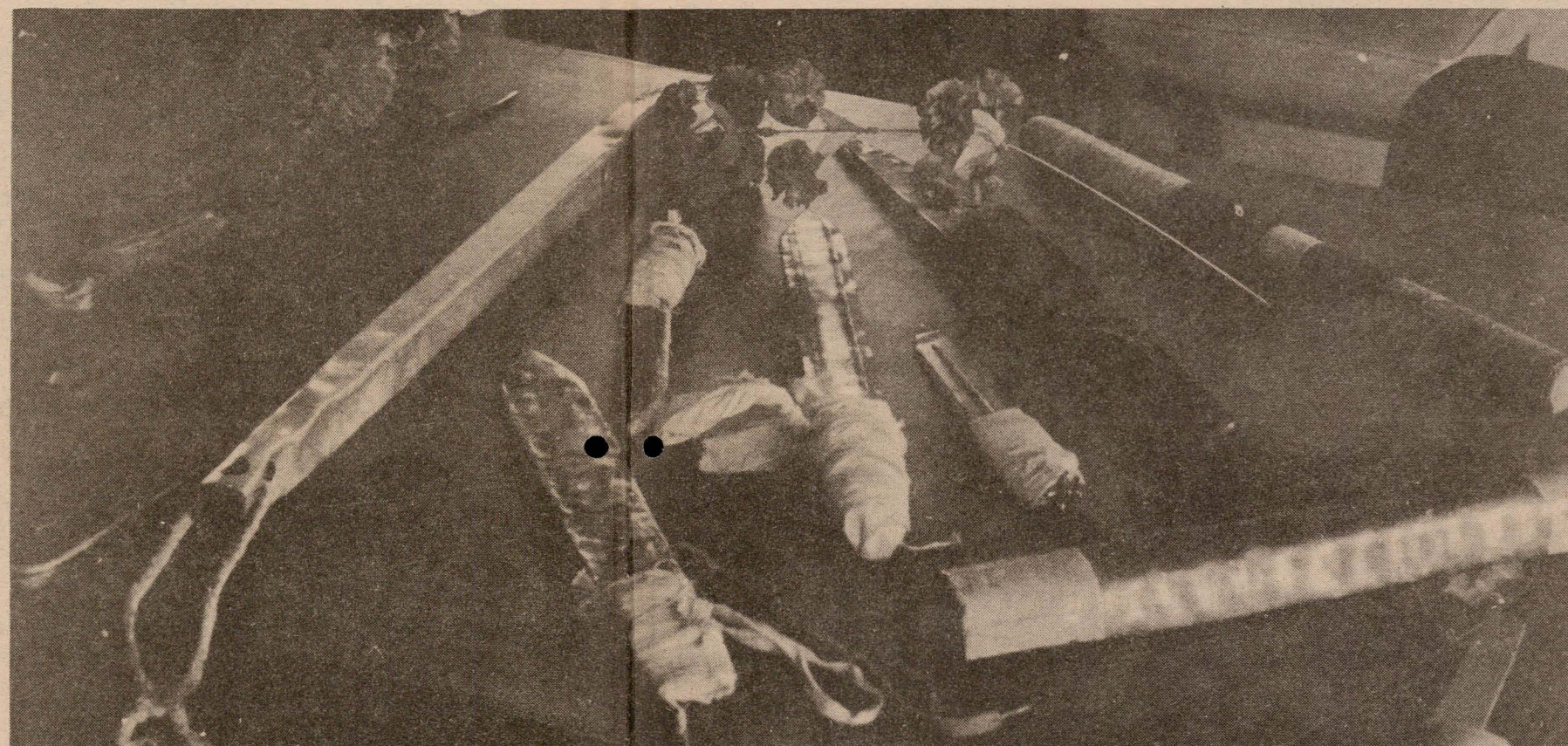
Part of the routine of the military police work is long hours. Many of these hours are spent in training and coordinating.

And many of the hours are spent waiting. Riot control forces called, Special React Teams, spend the period between daily training exercises waiting. The guards at the gates wait.

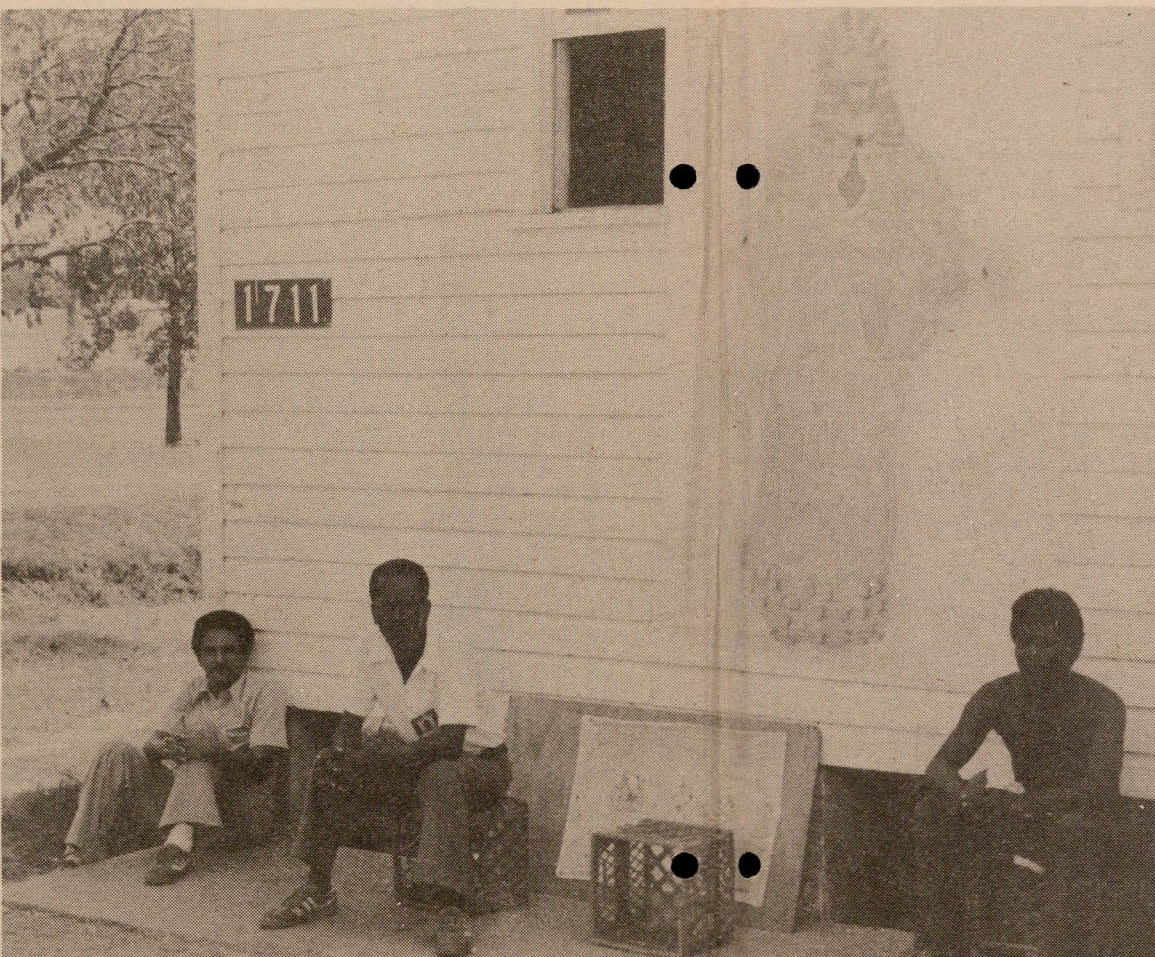
They wait for the time to go home, to go off duty. For something to happen.



A special reaction team from the 571st Military Police Company goes through riot control drills on an almost daily basis at Fort Chaffee.



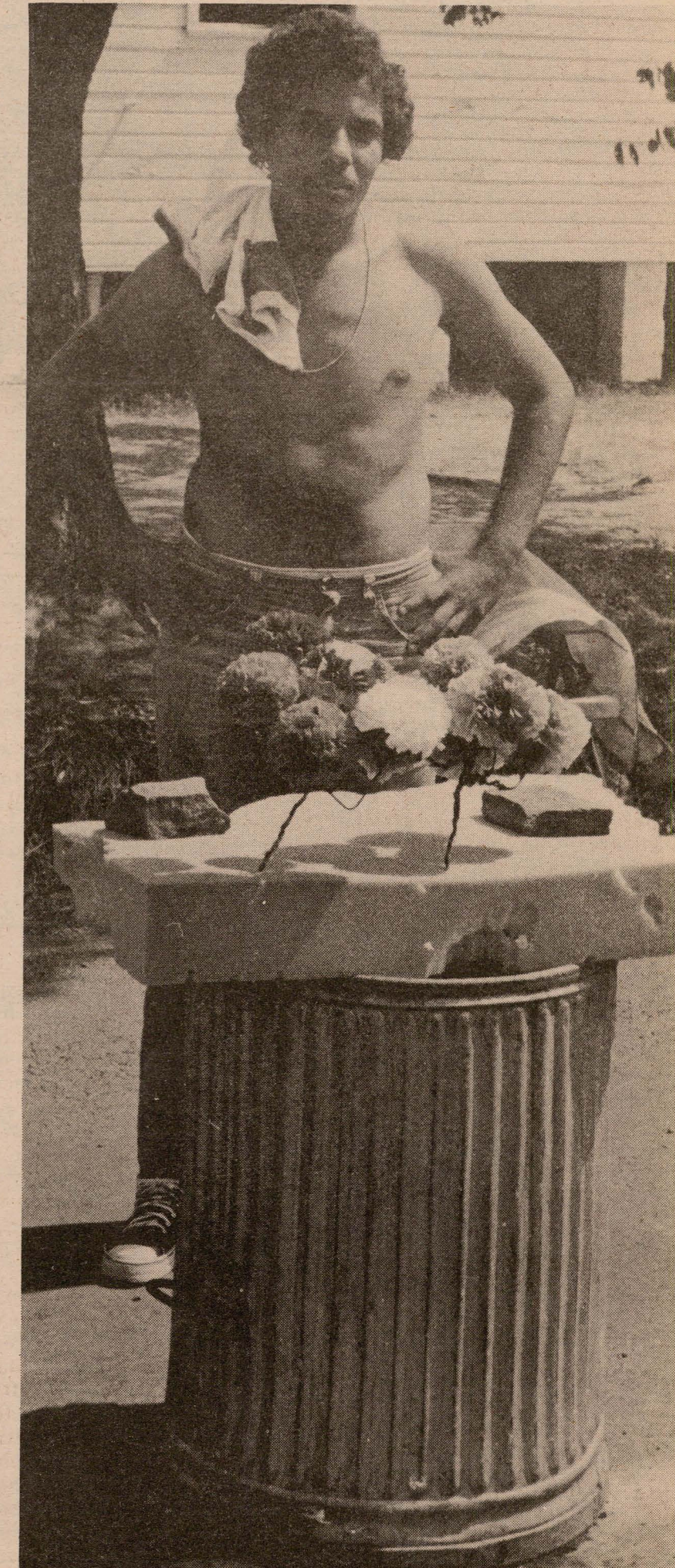
Many of the Cuban Refugees at Fort Chaffee spend their time in "creative" pursuits. Some make crepe paper flowers which they sell. Others make weapons.



Waiting is the name of the game for many refugees.



SFC David Evans performs daily checks.



Many Cuban refugees earn money selling flowers.

Time to spare

Festivals this weekend; tennis Monday

The Walnut Festival starts tonight at 5 p.m. in Walnut Creek. The festival features a carnival, live music, exhibits and food. The festivities continue tomorrow from 3:30 p.m. to midnight and Saturday and Sunday from noon to midnight.

Saturday and Sunday, the Old Mill Park is the scene for an arts festival complete arts and crafts displays, puppets, jugglers, face painting and live entertainment. The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. both days. The Old Mill Park is located on Cascade and Throckmorton avenues in Mill Valley.

The Transamerica Open Tennis Tournament starts Monday at the Cow Palace. The tourney features such big names as John McEnroe, Jimmy Connors, Roscoe Tanner, and Stan Smith. Play continues through the 28th. For tournament times and ticket information call the Cow Palace Box Office at 334-4852.

Tickets are on sale now for "My Fair Lady" starring Rex Harrison which opens Oct. 9 at the Golden Theatre. For a full list of showtimes and for ticket information call 775-8800.

The Presidio Recreation Center still has tickets for the Broadway hit "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" at the Golden Gate Theatre. The tickets are \$16, mezzanine seats reduced to \$14.50. For more information call the Rec Center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

The rec center also has tickets for the Oakland Raiders and San Francisco Forty-Niners home games. The tickets are \$9 and \$5 respectively.

The center is sponsoring a variety of tours. Saturday, a trip to Great America is planned. Cost is \$11 which includes transportation and admission. On Oct. 4, the Center is sponsoring a Sacramento Delta Tour for \$28.50 per person.

Every Monday evening the rec center offers Monday Night Football on the big screen TV. This week's game, the New York Giants against the Philadelphia Eagles, starts at 6 p.m. Refreshments are available for \$3, which includes two drinks and a hot dog.

Concerts abound in Bay Area

Here's a list of upcoming concerts in the Bay Area.

John Denver
Tomorrow, 8 p.m.
Oakland Coliseum

Gladys Knight and the Pips
Friday, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, 7:30 and 11 p.m., Sunday, 8 p.m.
Circle Star Theatre

Teddy Pendergrass
Saturday and Sunday, 8 p.m.
Concord Pavilion

Bread and Roses Festival of Music
with Kris Kristofferson, Joni Mitchell, Van Morrison, B.B. King, and others.
Oct. 3-5
Greek Theatre at U. C. Berkeley

The Kinks
Oct. 7, 8 p.m.
Oakland Auditorium Arena

Commodores
Oct. 16, 8 p.m.
Cow Palace

Yes
Oct. 6, 8 p.m.
Cow Palace

Dr. Hook
Oct. 3, 8:30 p.m.
Circle Star Theatre



Maestro

Professor Gizmo, a one man band, does his thing at North Beach daily for the entertainment of passers by. Gizmo and other street musicians are

joined on the streets by licensed artists and craftsmen selling their wares. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio's movie scene

Presidio

Sept. 18 **Mad Max** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 19 **Mary Poppins** (G) 7 p.m.
Sept. 20 **Mary Poppins** (G) 2 and 7 p.m.
Sept. 21 **Brubaker** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 22 **Brubaker** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 23 **Leo and Loree** (PG) 7 p.m.
Sept. 24 **Mad Magazine Presents: Up the Academy** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 25 **The Black Hole** (PG) 7 p.m.
Sept. 26 **The Black Hole** (PG) 7 p.m.
Sept. 27 **Race for Your Life Charlie Brown** (G) 2 p.m.
Sept. 27 **The Electric Horseman** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 28 **Rough Cut** (PG) 7 p.m.
Letterman's Schwartz Theater
Sept. 18 **Bruce Lee Fights Back from the Grave** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 19 **"10"** (R) 7 p.m.

Sept. 22 **A Force of One** (PG) 7 p.m.
Sdept. 23 **Airplane** (PG) 7 p.m.
Sept. 24 **The Happy Hooker Goes Hollywood** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 25 **Mad Max** (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 26 **Mary Poppins** (G) 7 p.m.

This week's Presidio Preview is of "Mad Max" which plays tonight at the Presidio theater and next Thursday at Schwartz Theater.

In this movie, Max, played by Mel Gison, and Steve Bisley are cops as well as close friends. They are called out to clear a small town of a gang of marauding bikers led by a man called Toecutter.

When Max meets with Toecutter and his henchmen, there is a series of terrifying incidents the likes of which, supposedly, have never been seen on the screen.

Sports

Flag football season to start

Fourteen teams in two leagues will be competing for the 1980 Post flagfootball championship which will get underway on Monday. Games will be played Monday through Thursday at the PX Field with the first game kicking off at 6 p.m. followed by a second game at 7 p.m.

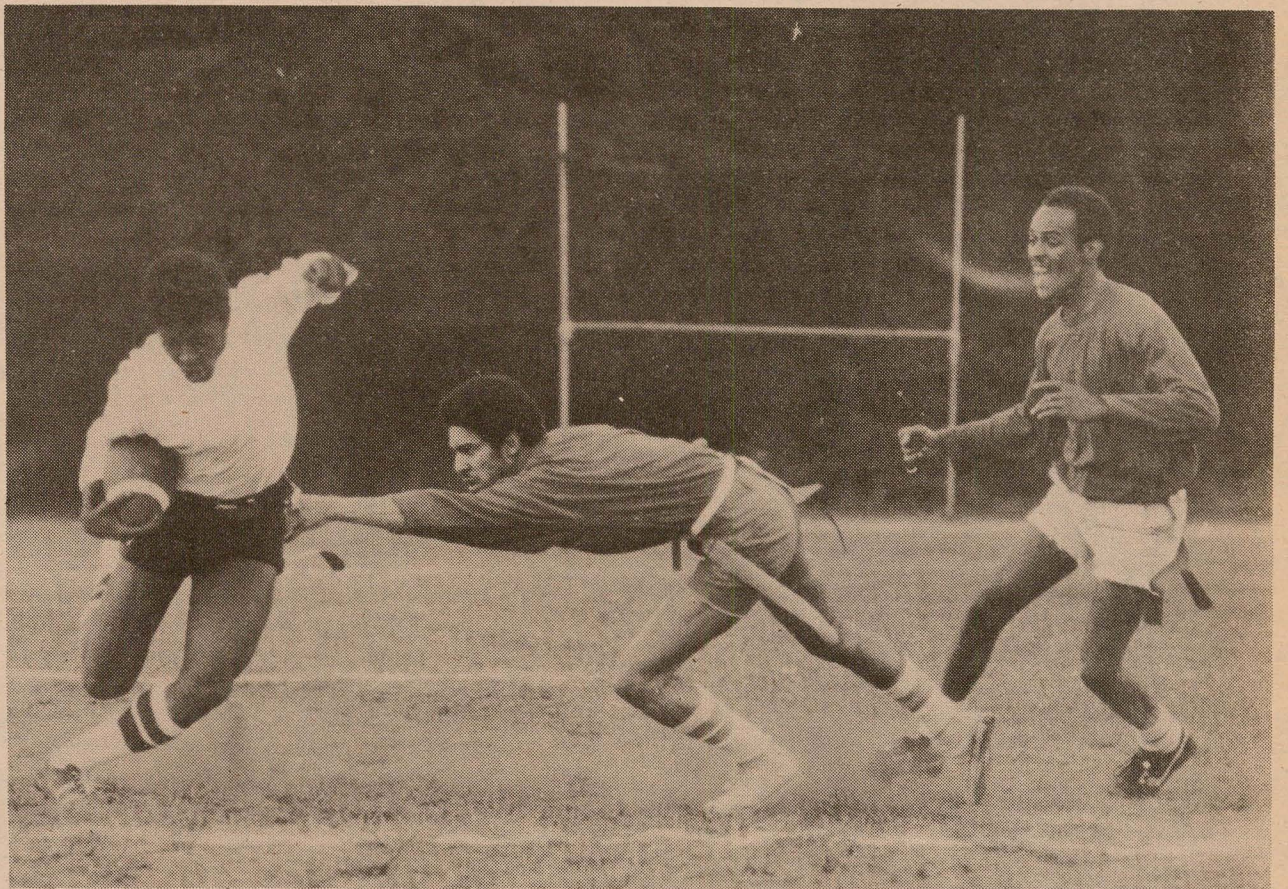
LAMC No. 1, behind speedsters **Eric Randolph** and **Dyne Gibson** will take on a hard charging 170th MP Company team in the opening game of the season.

The second game of the evening will feature the Racehorses of the 864th ENGRS against the Communicators of USACC.

Defending champions USAG, will take the field on Wednesday at 6 p.m. against the 504th MP Battalion.

Schedules of other games for the week are as follows:

Tuesday, 6 p.m.	
Four Seasons	vs Corps of ENGRS
Tuesday, 7 p.m.	
666th RADAR	vs Public Health
Wednesday, 7 p.m.	
864th ENGRS	vs 51st ENGRS
Thursday, 6 p.m.	
OARB	vs LAMC No. 2
Thursday, 7 p.m.	
666th RADAR	vs 548/87th ORD



Run, dodge and jump

A runner cuts past two defensive backs in this scene from last year's flag football season. This

year's action starts Monday when LAMC No. 1 takes on the 170th MPs. (Photo by Noli Manas)

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian is pleased to once again present its "peerless pigskin prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak and his Picks of the Week.

Jimmy is batting 79 percent after last week's predictions—11 right, 3 wrong—including an amazing forecast of the precise score of the Los Angeles—Tampa Bay game.

This weeks picks include:

Minnesota 20, Chicago 17 (Upset of the Week)

Bud Grant will never be 0-3 although this year's Vikings may test his famed sense of humor.

New England 33, Seattle 28

A wild game in the Kingdome. This could be the highest scoring game of the year. Neither team can stop a check, let alone a forward pass.

Denver 21, San Diego 20

This is too close to call. The Broncos should still be "a mile high" from last week's win over the Cowboys. The home field advantage is the only difference.

New York Jets 27, San Francisco 20

Sorry 49er fans, but that other famous forecaster named Jimmy has picked the Jets for the Super Bowl and even he can't be wrong every week.

Detroit 31, St. Louis 17

Billy Sims is the best thing to hit Detroit since disc brakes.

Los Angeles 16, Green Bay 3

There won't be much scoring for either team—neither has a quarterback to speak of.

Cleveland 24, Kansas City 13

"It's not safe to lose twice in a row in front of 80,000 people.

Pittsburgh 17, Cincinnati 6

It may be rusting a little, but the Steel Curtain is still around.

New Orleans 23, Buffalo 17

With Manning at quarterback, New Orleans is too good to be 0-3.

Miami 16, Atlanta 13

Miami is still (barely) the best team in the Deep South.

Dallas 23, Tampa Bay 14

As Jimmy read somewhere, only Doug Williams could overthrow the Ayatollah.

Oakland 13, Washington 10

The Skins are really beat up. Their assistant coaches may have to play the line.

Philadelphia 30, New York Giants 10

This is the most one-sided game this week.

Houston 24, Baltimore 20

This is almost the Upset of the Week for Baltimore, but the Oilers should be able to keep up with the Jones' (passes that is).

Lapins, Jones make team

LAMC's **Nick Lapins** has been selected to the All-Army Tennis Team in the junior vets division, while LAMC's **Gary Jones** is still in contention for the fourth place spot on the team's open division.

Jones must win his next two matches to make the team.

Another All-Army contender from LAMC, **Thomas Egan**, was eliminated earlier in the trials in the Senior's Division.

The All-Army Tennis Trials camp and All-Army Tennis camp is being held at Ft. Eustis, Va., in preparation for the 1980 Interservice Championships at Camp Pendleton, Calif. this week.

B'Ball signups set

Military basketball players who are interested in competing on the post basketball team must sign up at gym No. one. Try-outs are scheduled to be conducted Oct. 14-18 at Gym No. One.

The team will be competing in the Northern California Military League which is scheduled to start play on Nov. 7.

Swim biathlon coming

The Sports Branch's swimming section will be sponsoring a biathlon in the near future. Teams will be limited to six, comprised of two members each.

Events will include a 2½-mile run and a 400-yard swim. Teams will be selected on the basis of running and swimming times. The start and finish will be at the swimming pool. For more information, contact Noli Manas at 561-3673.

Presidio News Notes

Jewish service set

Sukkot, the Jewish Feast of the Booths, will be observed on post Sept. 28, 12:30 p.m. with a service and celebration in the Sukka next to the Religious Activities Center, building 682. A brunch will follow the service.

For more information contact Chaplain (Col.) Arthur Bell at 561-2351.

Bowling signups Sat.

Sign-ups for the DYA Winter Junior Bowling League will take place Saturday and Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Presidio Bowling Center. All dependent children of active and retired military personnel ages 6-18 are welcome. For more information, please phone SFC Floyd Hawkins at 561-5042.

Classes to start

Headed for Germany? Your stay in Germany will be more enjoyable and the cultural shock less if you learn something about the language and culture before you arrive at your new duty station.

By enrolling in a beginning German language class at the Fort Scott Education Center, you can

learn practical German to be able to ask directions, order a meal, go shopping, exchange dollars, buy a train ticket, get a hotel room, make a phone call and much more.

Class will be held Monday and Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m., from Sept. 29 to Dec. 10. Military personnel, dependents and civilians on orders or alerted for Germany have priority for enrollment in the class. There is no fee. For further information or to enroll, call 561-2974/4445.

Schedule announced

Columbia College, with campuses at Treasure Island, Oakland Army Base, Hamilton, and Petaluma, has announced its course offerings for the next class session, Oct. 20—Dec. 13.

Scheduled for Treasure Island are Accounting I on Tuesdays, Western Civilization also on Tuesdays, General Psychology on Wednesdays, English Composition I on Thursdays, and Advertising Management on Thursdays.

The Oakland Army Base campus will offer Principles of Management on Mondays, Industrial Psychology on Mondays and Criminology on Tuesdays.

Columbia College courses will include Marketing Management on Tuesdays and Introduction to Criminal Justice on Thursdays at Hamilton, and Organizational Development on Wednesdays at Petaluma.

According to Columbia officials, the schedule provides courses for students at all levels. Western Civilization, General Psychology, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Accounting and Composition are all basic courses which serve as prerequisites for advanced work.

Columbia's classes meet one night each week for an eight-week session. The school also assesses military experience and education for academic credit. Besides the two-year associate of arts degree, Columbia offers four-year degrees in business, psychology, and criminal justice, as well as a number of general education elective courses.

Tuition charges are \$75.00 per credit hour and may be paid through the G. I. Bill, military or civilian tuition assistance or personal payment.

Classes are open to active duty military, their dependents and to Department of Defense employees.

Interested individuals should contact Columbia representatives Larry Blades or Margaret Kirkpatrick at 397-5613.

Tiny tots class set

A tiny tots program for children ages 3 to 5 will be offered from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at the post swimming pool. Sign-ups are being taken now with the half hour classes to start Sept. 29. Parent participation is compulsory. For more information, contact Noli Manas at 561-3673.

Here's what the 11.7 pay raise means to you

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O-8	3165.00	3259.80	3337.20	3337.20	3337.20	3586.20	3586.20	3755.70	3755.70	3911.70	4081.50	4238.10	4407.90	4407.90
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COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WITH OVER 4 YEARS ACTIVE SERVICE AS ENLISTED MEMBERS														
O-3	—	—	—	1614.90	1692.00	1753.20	1847.40	1939.20	2016.90	2016.90	2016.90	2016.90	2016.90	2016.90
O-2	—	—	—	1444.20	1474.20	1521.00	1599.90	1661.40	1707.00	1707.00	1707.00	1707.00	1707.00	1707.00
O-1	—	—	—	1163.10	1242.30	1288.20	1334.70	1381.20	1444.20	1444.20	1444.20	1444.20	1444.20	1444.20
WARRANT OFFICERS														
W-4	1244.10	1334.70	1334.70	1365.30	1427.40	1490.40	1552.80	1661.40	1738.20	1799.70	1847.40	1907.70	1971.60	2124.90
W-3	1131.00	1226.70	1226.70	1242.30	1257.00	1348.80	1427.40	1474.20	1521.00	1566.60	1614.90	1677.30	1738.20	1799.70
W-2	990.60	1071.30	1071.30	1102.50	1163.10	1226.70	1272.90	1319.70	1365.30	1413.00	1459.50	1505.70	1566.60	1566.60
W-1	825.30	946.20	946.20	1025.10	1071.30	1117.50	1163.10	1211.10	1257.00	1303.20	1348.80	1397.10	1397.10	1397.10
ENLISTED MEMBERS														
E-9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1413.60	1445.70	1478.40	1512.60	1546.20	1578.20	1669.30	1820.40
E-8	—	—	—	—	—	1185.90	1219.20	1251.60	1284.30	1317.90	1348.50	1381.50	1462.80	1626.00
E-7	828.00	893.70	927.00	959.10	992.10	1023.30	1056.30	1089.00	1138.20	1170.60	1203.60	1219.20	1301.10	1462.80
E-6	715.20	779.70	812.40	846.60	878.10	910.20	943.50	992.10	1023.30	1056.30	1072.20	1072.20	1072.20	1072.20
E-5	627.90	683.40	716.40	747.60	796.50	828.90	862.20	893.70	910.20	910.20	910.20	910.20	910.20	910.20
E-4	603.60	637.50	674.70	727.20	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00	756.00
E-3	580.50	612.30	636.90	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10	662.10
E-2	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60	558.60
E-1	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30	501.30

BAQ

Pay Grade	Without Dependents Full Rate	With Dependents Partial Rate	With Dependents Depend.
O-10	427.80	50.70	535.20
O-9	427.80	50.70	535.20
O-8	427.80	50.70	535.20
O-7	427.80	50.70	535.20
O-6	384.00	39.60	468.60
O-5	354.00	33.00	426.30
O-4	315.00	26.70	380.40
O-3	277.20	22.20	342.00
O-2	240.60	17.70	304.50
O-1	187.80	13.20	244.50
W-4	303.60	25.20	366.60
W-3	270.90	20.70	333.90
W-2	235.50	15.90	299.70
W-1	212.70	13.80	275.40
E-9	229.20	18.60	322.50
E-8	211.20	15.30	297.90
E-7	179.70	12.00	277.20
E-6	163.20	9.90	255.00
E-5	158.90	8.70	234.30
E-4	138.30	8.10	206.10
E-3	123.60	7.80	179.70
E-2	109.20	7.20	179.70
E-1	103.20	6.90	179.70

This chart reflects an "across the board" 11.7 percent pay increase and a 10 percent BAS increase from the Nunn-Warner Amendment. The President may reallocate up to 25 percent of the pay increase. This chart, however assumes that there will be no reallocation.

BAS

Officers. \$82.58 per month

Enlisted Members:

When on leave or authorized to mess separately: \$3.94 per day

When rations in-kind are not available: \$4.45 per day

When assigned to duty under emergency conditions where no messing facilities of the United States are available: \$5.98 per day

USAG move enters 'phase two' next week

by Tom Tiernan

Headquarters Company, USAG will be on the move again next week as phase two of the unit relocation to Fort Scott gets underway.

On Tuesday and Wednesday those soldiers living in building 105 will move into building 1206 while the orderly mail and supply rooms will relocate to building 1214.

According to Capt. Robert Arosteguy, company commander, the move will mark a change in location for the PT and company formations. "All formations will be held by building 1214." Oct. 20 is the projected date when PT will be held solely at Fort Scott, he says.

Transportation to and from work for personnel living at Fort Scott will be provided on a daily

basis. A bus passes building 1206 at 6:50, 7:00 and 7:20 a.m.

A bus will leave the USAG Dining Facility at 5:15 p.m. for the return trip.

On Mondays a bus will leave at 8:20 a.m. following the PT formation.

The USAG Dining Facility will remain open for all meals until phase three of the move is completed on Oct. 17. Soldiers living at Fort Scott will eat breakfast at Fort Scott and all other meals at the USAG facility until after all members of the unit have been relocated.

Phase three of the move will begin Oct. 14 when building 104 will be vacated. These soldiers

will relocate to building 1205.

Once building 104 is empty, the move to Fort Scott will be completed. Soldiers assigned to Hq. Co. USAG will eat their morning and evening meals at either of the two Fort Scott dining facilities and lunch at the USAG facility which will serve short order meals.

The unit is moving to Fort Scott to make room for the Federal Emergency Management Agency which will be moving into building 105 during the spring of 1981. Building 101 will become the senior NCO BEQ but no decision has been made on the future of building 104.

Arosteguy asks all soldiers involved to be patient and the supervisors of these individuals to lend them a hand during the move.

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Pay, benefits still in Congress

by Jon Chelgren

Presidio soldiers expecting to get a tremendous increase in their October pay checks could be disappointed if the Senate fails to approve the FY81 Appropriations Bill before their Oct. 4 recess.

The bill was passed by the House Appropriations Committee last week and includes money for the 11.7 percent pay increase and full funding of benefits under the Nunn-Warner Amendment.

Although both the pay increase and Nunn-Warner Amendment have been signed into law already, money to pay for those benefits must come from the FY81 appropriations.

Department of the Army officials told the **Star Presidian** Tuesday that even if the Senate fails to act in time for the new increases to be included

in October pay checks, **soldiers would still be paid the full amount of the increase retroactive to Oct. 1.**

The officials pointed out that under a "continuing resolution authority," soldiers would continue to receive their pay check on time with or without the new increases. The resolution authority allows the Army to continue to pay soldiers while waiting for appropriations to clear congressional action.

It does not, the officials stressed, authorize payment of new benefits such as the 11.7 pay increase and the Nunn-Warner benefits.

Among the Nunn-Warner benefits is a variable housing allowance for high cost areas such as San Francisco. Based upon recent survey results, average costs of area housing are being deter-

mined. In those areas such as San Francisco where housing costs exceed quarters allowances, a supplemental allowance will be paid to soldiers.

The Army officials contacted Tuesday said that those survey results and area housing cost indexes are being compiled now and should be delivered to finance officials by Oct. 8.

They say that finance is already gearing up to pay the 11.7 pay increase pending congressional action.

In a related pay development, DA officials also said that there will be no reallocation of the 11.7 percent pay increase. That means that the increase will be the expected "across the board" hike.

Post finance officials declined comment on the new increases saying only that they had no word as yet on payment of any of the new benefits.



Only 35 percent enroll in DEERS

Despite a post-wide effort, only 35 percent of active duty soldiers have enrolled their dependents in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System (DEERS).

According to 1st Lt. Shiela Dominguez, DEERS project officer, soldiers may not understand that enrollment is in their best interest.

"Soldiers ought to see this as doing something for themselves," she says. "The whole point of the DEERS system is to provide better health services."

The enrollment process, Dominguez says, takes only about five minutes if the soldier has all of his documents—marriage certificates, birth certificates, etc.—together.

Although active duty soldiers were scheduled for enrollment appointments last month, Dominguez says that many were too "lazy" to keep them.

USAG soldiers, she says, complained that they were never notified.

In order to get as many soldiers enrolled in the system as possible, Dominguez asks that soldiers stop by her office in the basement of building 39 to complete the enrollment forms.

And she cautions those who wait until the system takes effect that they are only "hurting themselves."

She says that the latest soldiers should expect to be "in the system" by Oct. 10.

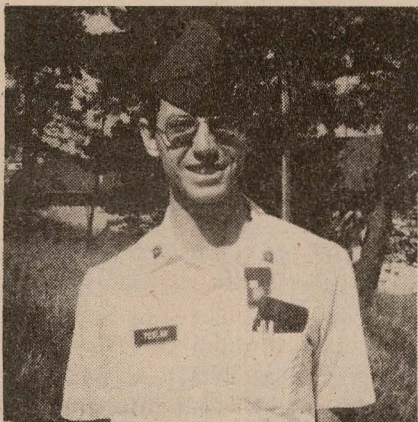
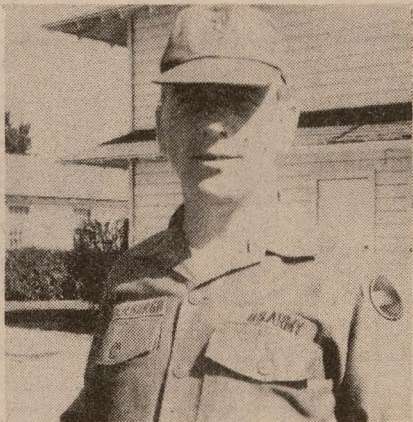
After that date, Dominguez says there are no guarantees that enrollment data will be fed into the DEERS computer in time to meet the Nov. 1 deadline.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

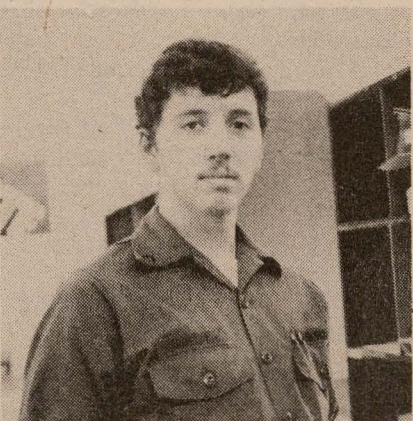
What would make your job easier?

Lt. Col. Daryl Vanderburgh, Post Chapel—"The Chapel facilities, which are located throughout the post would make my work easier if there was one chapel facility providing Catholic and Protestant activities plus religious education. However, some people think my job is already easy since I work one day of the week—Sunday."



Sp5 John Peklar, LAMC—"If five more personnel were assigned to my section and we could double our operating budget, my work would be made easier."

Pvt. Frank Baraby, Post Distribution—"At this time our section is lacking personnel and more people would make my job easier."



Sgt. Daniel Johnson, USACC—"I'll like to see better behavior toward telephone personnel when service is rendered. New equipment and more personnel would provide better service and shorter waiting periods."

Sp5 Carol Keys, USASSD—"My section can handle the normal work load requirements but sometimes we could use an extra person to help out when the work increases."



Prepare now

Dear Readers,

Last week, soldiers from USAG and Sixth Army received day-long training in Nuclear, Chemical and Biological (NBC) defense.

Despite an excellent job by Sgt. Daniel Cameron, the class instructor, many soldiers at the morning sessions seemed to take the attitude that it was just another required class. And that's really too bad.

If those soldiers had been listening, they would have realized the importance of the subject matter. They would have heard Cameron elaborate on the strength of the Soviet NBC threat. They also would

have heard him describe the "less than adequate" US defense against that threat.

As individual soldiers there is little we can do to alter the grim "big picture" that Cameron presented. We certainly cannot pressure the Soviets into backing out of the NBC business nor can we improve this country's overall NBC readiness.

What we can do, however, is prepare ourselves now for a battlefield of the future by becoming adept at survival skills in a contaminated environment.

The Editor

Training productive

Dear Editor:

I'd like to compliment Sgt. Daniel Cameron and the entire Headquarters Company training section for their excellent NBC instruction.

The type of training, the manner in which it was presented, and the orderly fashion in which it was conducted reflected a great deal of work and preparation.

During his visit here, Sergeant Major of the Army Connelly said

that training should be as realistic and meaningful as possible.

It is fortunate, however, that some of the individuals in the classes probably ignored everything that was said and found the training a waste of time. But if the balloon ever goes up, they'll wish they'd paid attention during this very productive training.

Satisfied soldier

Your article helped

Dear Editor:

Thank you for printing the article "DEERS start worries some."

The article did much to relieve the fears many of us had after reading an article in the LAMC Foghorn which said our dependents wouldn't

be eligible for medical care after Nov. 1, if we didn't sign up.

I am sure I speak for many other Presidians when I say "thank you" for your accurate reporting on this subject."

Scared DEER-Less

Dear "Scared,"

Thank you for your letter. According to the folks at the Foghorn, we discovered that they were given erroneous information

from a LAMC staffer. From time to time that happens even to the best of us.

The Editor

Thanks for prompt action

Dear Editor:

I'd like to acknowledge young Jordan Lee, for his quick action in sounding a fire alarm. Recently there was a small brush fire on the hillside behind the quarters bordering Presidio Blvd. Jordan raced up the hill to our quarters on Sanches and asked me to call the fire depart-

ment. Within minutes the fire was put out.

So thank you, Jordan, for your prompt action."

Gertie Francoise

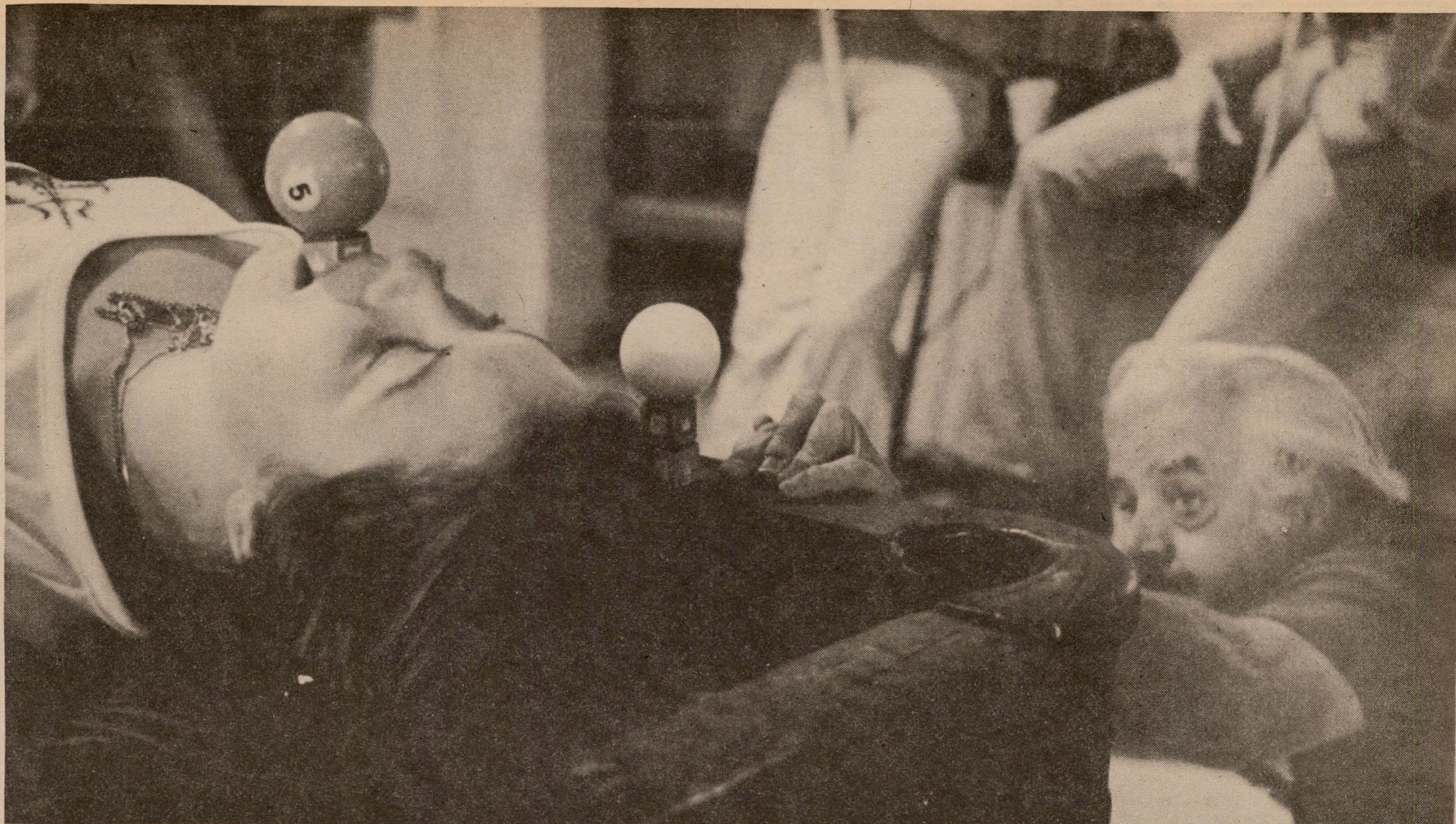
And thanks also to the Presidio Fire Department for their quick action.

The Editor

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'Five ball in the corner. ...'

Hank Nole lines up the "trick shot" at the Presidio Presidio Rec Center. The object is to shoot the five

ball out of Ellyn Hasenyager's mouth and into the unseen corner pocket. Nole made the shot. He

cautions others, though, not to try it because it can be dangerous.

'Why do people call it dirty pool?'

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

"I am a lover of the game," is how Hank Nole explains his devotion to his "mistress" pool.

Nole not only plays the game himself, but enjoys teaching it to others. He holds classes at the Presidio Recreation Center every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

Nole says he started playing the game when he was nine-years-old.

"It was a Sunday morning after church," he explains, "and a friend and I went into a 'social club' and played. It took us so long that the owner came over and kicked me later. After that I was determined to get good."

While describing himself as only a "good" player, he adds that he also isn't a loser.

In fact, he loves to tell of the times in the ser-

vice when he beat his sergeant at the game and ended up on KP every day after that.

He also remembers going in to pool halls where he says the local hustlers love to make money off soldiers.

"That's how they made their living," he says, "but they didn't make their living off me. Nobody wanted me to come back."

For a time, Nole owned his own pool hall in Berkeley, where he would routinely host exhibitions and play against some of the greatest players in the game like Minnesota Fats and Willy Muscone.

"I made one shot against Muscone," Nole remembers, "that he said was impossible when I called it. I had to break the rack and draw the cue ball the length of the table to hit the 14 ball in the corner. I made it."

Since he started playing the game, Nole is happy to see that the sport's image has changed from the stereotyped hustler and undesirable characters to a clean family form of entertainment.

As a measure of the game's changing image, he now teaches pool for a high school in Concord.

With his devotion to the game, Nole bristles when he hears phrases like "dirty pool."

"Why do people say 'dirty pool,' he says. "If you're playing tennis, the idea is to hit the ball where your opponent isn't. Nobody calls that 'dirty tennis'. So why do people call it dirty pool if I make a legitimate shot?"

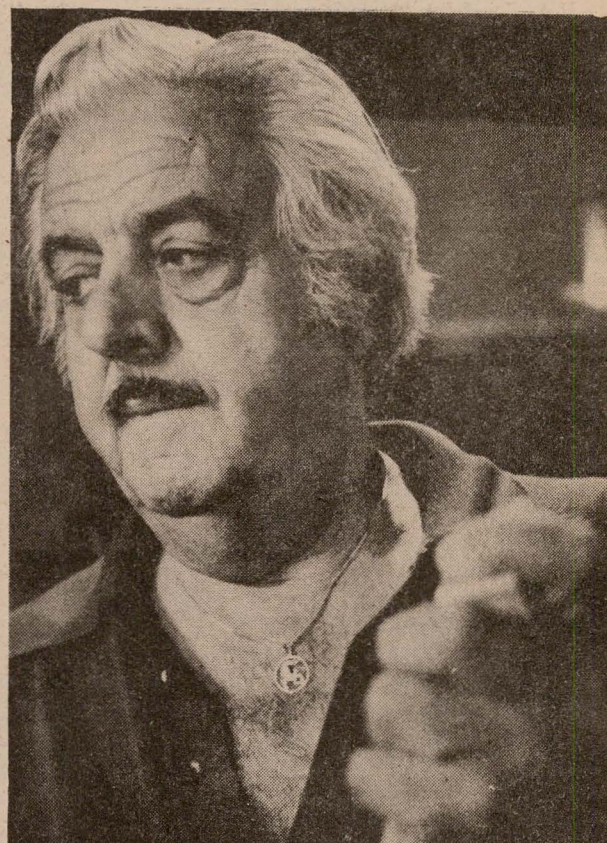
"I am a lover of the game," Nole repeats, "and I'm going to play it till I die."



A little English

Nole shows Pvt. Doug Bohl of the 170th MP Company where to strike the ball during classes at the

Rec Center. Nole instructs there every Thursday at 7 p.m.



Chalking up

Nole chalks his cue while looking over the table. While he calls himself only a good player, he admits he isn't a loser.

Briefly

Claim filing changed

Several changes are being planned in claim forms and filing procedures under the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) which could affect a number of Presidio soldiers and their dependents.

According to Bill Reardon, CHAMPUS Advisor at Letterman Army Medical Center, the changes are designed to improve the accuracy of initial claims submissions, thus reducing the number of claims that have to be returned.

Reardon says revised versions of the forms used by the American Medical Association and the American Hospital Association will be used when the provider of medical services fills out and submits the claim.

These forms, he notes, are already in wide use by the medical profession. Their application to the CHAMPUS program is expected to greatly simplify claim filing procedures for physicians and hospitals.

No firm date has been set for use of the forms, but Reardon says that a gradual phasing in should begin soon.

For more information, persons should contact Reardon at 561-5923.

Early outs announced

Presidio soldiers slated to leave the service between Dec. 12 and Jan. 6 will be eligible for "early outs" according to a schedule released by Department of the Army officials.

Eligible soldiers will be separated between Dec. 11-17 under the program if they don't want to wait until their normal ETS date.

Soldiers will be released according to the following schedule:

Current ESA/ETS Date	Target Separation Date
Dec. 12-26	Dec. 11, 1980
Dec. 27-28	Dec. 12, 1980
Dec. 29-Jan. 1	Dec. 15, 1980
Jan. 2-4	Dec. 16, 1980
Jan. 5-6	Dec. 17, 1980

For more information, Presidio soldiers should contact their PSNCO.

Reclass rules altered

Some senior NCOs with permanent limiting physical profiles may now have their MOS reclassified by an overseas MACOM commanders and division/installation commanders in CONUS according to a recent release from MILPERCEN.

Soldiers in grades E-6, E-7, and those E-8 not on the promotion list may have their MOS reclassified at the lower level only if going into a shortage or balanced MOS. Soldiers in E-9 and those E-8s who are on the E-9 promotion list and all soldiers with controlled MOS listed in paragraph 2-18E of AR 600-200 will continue to be reclassified at MILPERCEN.



Big bundles

Presidians wanting to mail letters and packages overseas, this Christmas shouldn't wait too long,

say postal officials. The deadlines for delivery were recently announced.

Christmas mail deadlines approaching soon

Presidians mailing Christmas packages and letters to friends overseas shouldn't wait too long or they may run out of time, according to officials of the United States Postal Service (USPS).

Dates for mailing Christmas parcels and letters from CONUS to overseas military locations were recently announced by USPS officials.

Officials say parcels and letters will arrive at military post offices in time for Christmas, if mailed within the following periods of time:

Destination	Priority	Letters
Africa	Dec. 8	Dec. 8
Alaska	Dec. 15	Dec. 15
Hawaii	Dec. 15	Dec. 15
Australia	Dec. 1	Dec. 1
Caribbean/ W. Indies	Dec. 15	Dec. 15
Europe	Dec. 12	Dec. 12
Far East	Dec. 12	Dec. 12

Destination	PAL	SAM	Surface
Africa	Nov. 17	Nov. 10	Nov. 10
Alaska	Dec. 8	Dec. 1	Dec. 1
Hawaii	---	---	Dec. 1
Australia	Nov. 17	Nov. 10	Oct. 27
Caribbean/ W. Indies	Dec. 1	Nov. 24	Nov. 14
Europe	Nov. 28	Nov. 21	Nov. 10
Far East	Nov. 28	Nov. 21	Oct. 27
Greenland	Dec. 1	Nov. 24	Nov. 24
Iceland	Dec. 1	Nov. 24	Nov. 24
Mid East	Nov. 10	Nov. 3	Nov. 3
South East/ Asia	Nov. 14	Nov. 10	Oct. 27

Post reup rate rises

by Tom Tiernan

Despite a decrease Army-wide, reenlistments at the Presidio rose last month, according to SFC Nilger Moore, reenlistment NCO.

The Presidio reenlistment team signed up 100 percent of their careerist objective and 140 percent of their first-term goal.

Moore states that the last two months of the fiscal year are always the hardest. "Those soldiers who are going to get a bonus wait until after the Oct. 1 pay raise so that the bonus will be based on their higher pay level are the raise. Those who have leave to sell wait for the same reason, more money."

The reenlistment NCO feels things are looking up for the reenlistment program and looks forward to helping other post soldiers get what they want. "The October pay raise is substantial. And because people are beginning to realize that the military is important, we should be getting the things we need to improve the economic situation our soldiers face. This pay raise will help."

Changes in the reenlistment program will also effect the number of soldiers who decided to stay in the Army, says Moore.

"Beginning next month, DA is implementing a three-part mission system. Our objectives will be for first-termers, careerists over 10 years of service and mid-termers with 6 to 10 years. This is designed to shift the emphasis from the first term soldier to those in the middle term."

Another change which is forthcoming is a new Zone C selective reenlistment bonus which will be available to soldiers with over 10 but under 14 years of service. According to Moore details of this program will be announced at a later date.

To date the Presidian reenlistment team has signed up 114 percent of careerists and 102 percent of their first termers.

Clinics announced

Each year Recruiting Command sponsors sports recruiting clinics across the United States in various regions.

Any outstanding soldier-athlete (clinicians) on post are requested to contact the Sports Director at 561-4120/5032.

Selection prerequisites for the program are that the clinician must be a volunteer, releasable by his unit, qualified in his discipline by having participated at the National/All-Army level, or been selected to a FORSCOM All-Star Team or placed in the top four of a FORSCOM championship (individual event), and be nominated by his installation.

The 28 day period clinics are usually held in the clinician's local area, if possible.



'You're probably wondering why I called you here'

USAG and Sixth Army soldiers put their gas masks to the acid test during NBC hands on test-

ing at Battery Dynamite last week. In addition to a trip through the gas chamber, soldiers were

required to successfully complete a variety of tasks at five stations.



Caught with his pants down

This soldier models the latest in chemical protective wear. Unfortunately, the clothes don't always present a "tailored" fit.

Training, testing a success

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Nearly 300 soldiers from USAG and Sixth Army trained and tested their knowledge in Nuclear, Chemical and Biological (NBC) warfare and defense during annual training classes at USAG last week.

According to USAG Training NCO, SSgt. Jim Edwards, the NBC exercises were part of a Department of the Army requirement for yearly testing in that area.

The training was split into morning classes and afternoon hands-on testing. During the morning sessions, attendees received a brief overview of the importance of NBC defenses and instruction in a variety of subjects including NBC agents and their symptoms, first aid for NBC casualties, proper masking procedures and methods of decontamination.

According to Edwards, those morning sessions were responsible for the success of most soldiers in the afternoon testing.

"Because of the morning training," he says, "we had very few 'no-goes' and those few we had did very well on retesting."

Edwards cites NBC first aid procedures as the major stumbling block for most soldiers receiving 'no-goes' during the afternoon testing.

The afternoon testing included requirements for soldiers to demonstrate their proficiency in areas ranging from identification of defects in a sample mask to decontamination of themselves after exposure to NBC agents.

Soldiers were also required to mask and take a trip through the gas chamber as part of the training.

Time to spare

Club opens electronic dance floor

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren
The Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club unveiled their newest attraction—an electronic dance floor—Saturday during the weekly all-night disco.

According to SFC Leo Meneghetti, club manager, the plastic floor with flashing colored lights cost \$6,200 and was paid for by money collected in cover charges for the Saturday disco.

The club charges a \$3 cover during the disco and according to Meneghetti, attendance on Saturdays runs from 275 to 400 people. Depending on the price of the night band, he says that his costs run from \$500 to \$700 for the evening, including the band and a disc jockey.

The balance of the money not only pays for things like the floor, Meneghetti says, but it also funds other activities at the club which don't pay for themselves.

The dance floor is only the second of its kind in the Army club system, says Meneghetti, Fort Ord also has one at their club.

The idea for the purchase began in February, Meneghetti says, as he began coming up with ways to attract soldiers into the club.

Citing a gimmick like the floor as the key to success, Meneghetti says, "We want to get the soldiers out of their barracks and houses and into the club. To do that, you have to have a place for them to come."

Along those lines, Meneghetti says he tries to get top bands into the club. He notes that he goes to the better nightspots in town and auditions



Disco fever

Some couples check out the \$6200 dance floor at the Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club. The money for

the floor came from Saturday night disco cover charges.

bands there before booking them.

"For half the price," he says, "we provide the soldier with the same bands as he can get downtown."

With the purchase of the floor, Meneghetti

isn't through with his plans to add attractions at the club. One gimmick in the mill now, he says, is obtaining a mechanical bull, like the one in the movie, "Urban Cowboy," for the club's country western nights on Wednesdays.

Japanese festival starts tomorrow, Playhouse opens 14th season

The Japanese Fall Festival, Aki Matsuri, opens tomorrow at noon at the Japan Center on Post and Buchanan streets. For the first time the festival will include a Japanese-style street fair, as well as arts and crafts exhibits, martial arts demonstrations and singing and dancing. The festival continues through Sunday.

In conjunction with the fall festival, a Bonsai Show will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Miyako Hotel's Sakura Room. The show runs from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

Also this weekend, the San Francisco Sheriff's Posse will hold its 19th Annual Horse Show in at Bercut Field in Golden Gate Park from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday features conformation judging

and Sunday is the day for the jumping and riding events.

The Presidio Playhouse will open its 14th season with "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail," next Friday at 8 p.m. The play by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee deals with the famous act of civil disobedience by Thoreau when he refused to pay his poll tax in 1846. Tickets go on sale Wednesday at the Presidio Playhouse box office between 1 and 5 p.m. and 30 minutes before each performance. The show continues on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. through Oct. 25 with additional performances set for Oct. 19 and 26 at 7 p.m.

The Presidio Recreation Center is offering discounts for a variety of upcoming events. Half

price tickets to Golden State Warriors games are available through a discount mail-in program. Discounts are also available for the Monterey Grand Prix Oct. 18 and 19 at the Laguna Seca Raceway and for the Grand National Rodeo and Horse Show at the Cow Palace Oct. 25 and 27 and Nov. 1. For more information contact the rec center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

The center has a variety of classes starting soon. A seven-week guitar class and a five-week basic audio system for the consumer start next Thursday. Cost of the guitar class is \$18 and the basic audio course runs \$10.

The Rec Center also has tickets to San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders home games. The tickets are \$5 and \$9 respectively.

Presidio's movie scene

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Sept. 25	The Black Hole (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 26	The Black Hole (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 27	Race For Your Life	2 p.m.
	Charlie Brown (G)	
Sept. 27	The Electric Horseman	
	(R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Rough Cut (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	Rough Cut (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	Friday the 13th (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 1	Don't Answer the Phone	7 p.m.

Oct. 2	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Letterman's Schwartz Theater		
Sept. 25	Mad Max (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 26	Mary Poppins (G)	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	Brubaker (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	Brubaker (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 1	Leo and Loree (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 2	Mad Magazine Presents: the Academy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	The Black Hole (PG)	7 p.m.

Concerts abound in Bay Area

Here's a list of upcoming concerts in the Bay Area.

Bread and Roses Festival of Music
with Kris Kristofferson, Joni Mitchell, Van Morrison, B.B. King, and others.
Oct. 3-5
Greek Theatre at U.C. Berkeley

The Kinks
Oct. 7, 8 p.m.
Oakland Auditorium Arena

Commodores
Oct. 16, 8 p.m.
Cow Palace

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian's "peerless pigskin prognosticator, Jimmy the Freak once again lays his reputation on the line with his picks of the week.

After Jimmy went 10-4 last week, his record now stands at 75 percent.

This week's picks include:

Pittsburgh 27, Chicago 13

The Steelers had their one lapse for the season.

Cleveland 19, Tampa Bay 13

Doug Williams is still the only person who could overthrow the Ayatollah.

Dallas 30, Green Bay 13

Even the cheerleaders couldn't cheer up this match.

Houston 30, Cincinnati 17

The Oilers are gushing with confidence.

Los Angeles 20, N. Y. Giants 7

Nuff said.

Baltimore 24, N.Y. Jets 16

The Jets are like the 90-year-old bridegroom—great expectations but no delivery.

San Francisco 23, Atlanta 20

The 49'ers will win—but only if injuries don't beat them.

San Diego 31, Kansas City 13

The Chargers are wired up to go the Super Bowl.

Philadelphia 37, St. Louis 10

Little Sisters of the Poor against professionals.

Minnesota 17, Detroit 16

(UPSET OF THE WEEK)

Detroit is vastly improved, but they're due for an off-week.

New Orleans 30, Miami 24

(UPSET OF THE WEEK—2)

A team with Manning, Muncie, et al., have got to win sooner or later.

Oakland 23, Buffalo 13

The Raiders are playing very well for Flores; you can't buffalo his tactics.

Seattle 35, Washington 27

Another high-scoring game for Seattle. For Seahawk lovers, Jim is another erogenous Zorn.

New England 20, Denver 16

Too close to call. Homefield advantage here.



Heads up!

Flag football players battle for the ball during last season's post action.

Shut outs reign in pigskin preseason

If last week's preseason games are any indication, Presidio's flag football fans are in for another exciting season.

Eric Randolph of LAMC No. 1 intercepted a pass against the 504th MPs and ran it back 30 yards for a touchdown in an impressive preseason LAMC win.

Randolph scored again in the second quarter as he scrambled out of his quarterback position and ran 44 yards for a second TD to put LAMC ahead 14-0.

LAMC dominated the entire game behind the running and passing of Randolph who connected with his receivers for two more touchdowns.

LAMC shut out the MP's 33-0 and hope to give defending champions USAG a run for the post title.

In another flag football preseason game, the Air Force Boys from Mill Valley stung the Corps of Engineers 15-0 behind the passing game of quarterback Leroy Love.

The Mill Valley team intercepted the Engineer's first pass to set up the first score. That touchdown came on a 46-yard bomb from Love to Damon Teuscher. At half, Mill Valley led 8-0.

The final score came from a Love pass to Bryan Snyder for 18 yards and the touchdown.

USACC was on the winning end of another shut out, beating Public Health 18-0. After a scoreless first half, Flash Rush of USACC took the opening second half kick-off and raced 60 yards for a touchdown.

Next week's games are as follows:

Monday, 6 p.m.

548th/87th ORD vs. Oakland Army Base

Monday, 7 p.m.

USAG vs. USACC

Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Oakland Army Base vs. Corps of Engrs.

Tuesday, 7 p.m.

LAMC No. 2 vs. Public Health

Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Four Seasons vs. 666th Radar

Thursday, 6 p.m.

Oakland Army Base vs. Four Seasons

Thursday, 7 p.m.

LAMC No. 2 vs. 548th/87th ORD

Biathlon camp planned

FORSCOM has made tentative plans to conduct a 1981 Biathlon Training Camp Jan. 14-23, at the Camp Ethan Allen training site in Jericho, Vt.

The training camp provides an opportunity for all personnel to be selected for the five-man biathlon team to represent FORSCOM in the 1981 National Guard Bureau Biathlon Championships, Jan. 24-31.

Any qualified athletes in this skiing/shooting event should contact the Sports Branch Office at Gym No. 1, at 561-5032.

Presidio News Notes

Sign ups set

Sign-ups for the DYA Winter Junior Bowling League will take place again Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Presidio Bowling Center. All dependent children of active and retired military personnel ages 6-18 are welcome. For more information, please phone SFC Floyd Hawkins at 561-5042.

Luncheon planned

Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall will be the guest speaker for Presidio Officers' Wives' Club luncheon next Thursday. Social hour begins at 11:30 a.m. The deadline for reservations is noon Monday. For reservations call Jan Lape at 561-4343 or Nancy Svendsen at 561-2955.

Cleaning planned

Post officials have ordered a clean sweep of the Pershing Park housing area.

As part of the on-going effort to improve the neighborhood's appearance, a street sweeper recently started making the rounds in the 1500 area on Thursdays between 6 and 9 a.m.

Residents are being asked to **park off the street** in their assigned spaces during that time to allow the sweeper to do its job.

Guest speaker announced

Jack Brooks will be the guest speaker for the Letterman Women's Club luncheon Oct. 9 beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Brooks is the entertainment editor for KGO Radio and entertainment critic for the San Francisco Progress.

Reservations must be made by Oct. 7. For those wanting more information or reservations, call Elly Barry at 561-4610, Barbara Jennings at 561-4039 or Barbara Dahl at 561-3603. Marin residents should contact Barbara See at 987-0851.

Gym to close

Gym No. 1 will be closed all day on Oct. 5 for testing of candidates for the U.S. Military Academy.

Tiny tots class set

A tiny tots program for children ages 3 to 5 will be offered from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at the post swimming pool. Sign-ups are being taken now with the half hour classes to start Sept. 29. Parent participation is compulsory. For more information, contact Noli Manas at 561-3673.



Strange encounters

Brian Spigelman waits for his ship to come in at the Pier 39 UFO exhibit. His dad, Sp4 Steven

Spigelman of the 864th Engineers, won photo of the week honors for this print.

Civies a thing of the past for pregnant soldiers

Wearing civilian maternity clothes to work will soon be a thing of the past for pregnant soldiers at the Presidio.

The Army's new maternity service uniform will replace the civilian maternity clothes pregnant soldiers now wear according to a DA news release.

The uniform consists of a green, hip-length, sleeveless tunic, skirt, slacks, and the women's standard white short sleeve shirt with black tab. The shirt will be worn under the tunic with the lower portion unbuttoned if necessary.

The tunic does not have pockets and will be available in five sizes. The skirt and slacks, also available in five sizes, has an elastic waistband and a knitted nylon stretch panel across the upper front. The slacks are straight legged.

According to officials, pregnant enlisted soldiers will be issued the new maternity uniform at no cost. As soon as an enlisted soldier has

medical proof of pregnancy, she should take a clothing issue record form to the PX and get two uniforms. Replacement uniforms will be authorized three years from initial issue date.

Pregnant officers must buy their uniforms. Estimated cost of the uniform is: Skirt—\$8.50, Slacks—\$10.75, and Tunic—\$13.75.

According to the wear policy on the new uniform, pregnant soldiers must wear the maternity uniform as the duty uniform after the 24th week of pregnancy until delivery. Commanders, however, may order the pregnant soldier to begin wearing the maternity uniform earlier than the 24th week if her condition is obvious when wearing a normally fitted uniform.

Also, commanders may order maternity uniform wear if the normal duty uniform when worn does not meet Army appearance standards.

The only accessories authorized on the tunic will be the nameplate, say officials.

Officers will wear insignia of grade on the right collar and branch insignia on the left collar of the standard white shirt. Enlisted women will wear the polished brass pin-on grade insignia on both collars of the white shirt.

Items which may be worn with the maternity uniform include:

- Black beret or Army green service hat
- Black pumps or oxfords with the tunic and skirt
- Black pumps, oxfords, or jodhpur boots with the tunic and slacks
- Black anklets may be worn when Jodhpur boots or oxfords are worn.
- Army green or black raincoat. These outer garments may be worn unbuttoned if necessary.

According to Presidio PX official soldiers needing the uniform will have to special order them through the military counter. Delivery takes about two weeks.

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A 'potential disaster'

Switch blamed for phone trouble

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

A defective switch at the post's telephone exchange power plant is being blamed for Monday's phone outage which reduced the on post telephone service by 80 percent.

According to Lt. Col. Charles Gorlinski, head of the Directorate of Communications and Electronics, the situation was "a potential disaster!" He notes that Letterman Army Medical Center and most post residents risked losing their phone service entirely if the situation had not been brought under control.

The incident started at 9:50 a.m., Monday, when the commercial power supply to the Dial Center Office in building 67 was lost. The power is a "three phase feed," explains Gorlinski, and the plant was only receiving two phases because of a faulty switch.

Power was restored by 11 a.m., Gorlinski says, but rectifiers, used to convert the incoming alternating current to direct current overheated. One of the rectifiers was damaged too severely to repair while a second the other was later put back in limited operation.

The rectifiers charge banks of batteries at the telephone exchange which in turn power the post's telephone system.

According to Gorlinski, the loss of one rectifier caused him to institute "line load control" at 1 p.m. Monday.

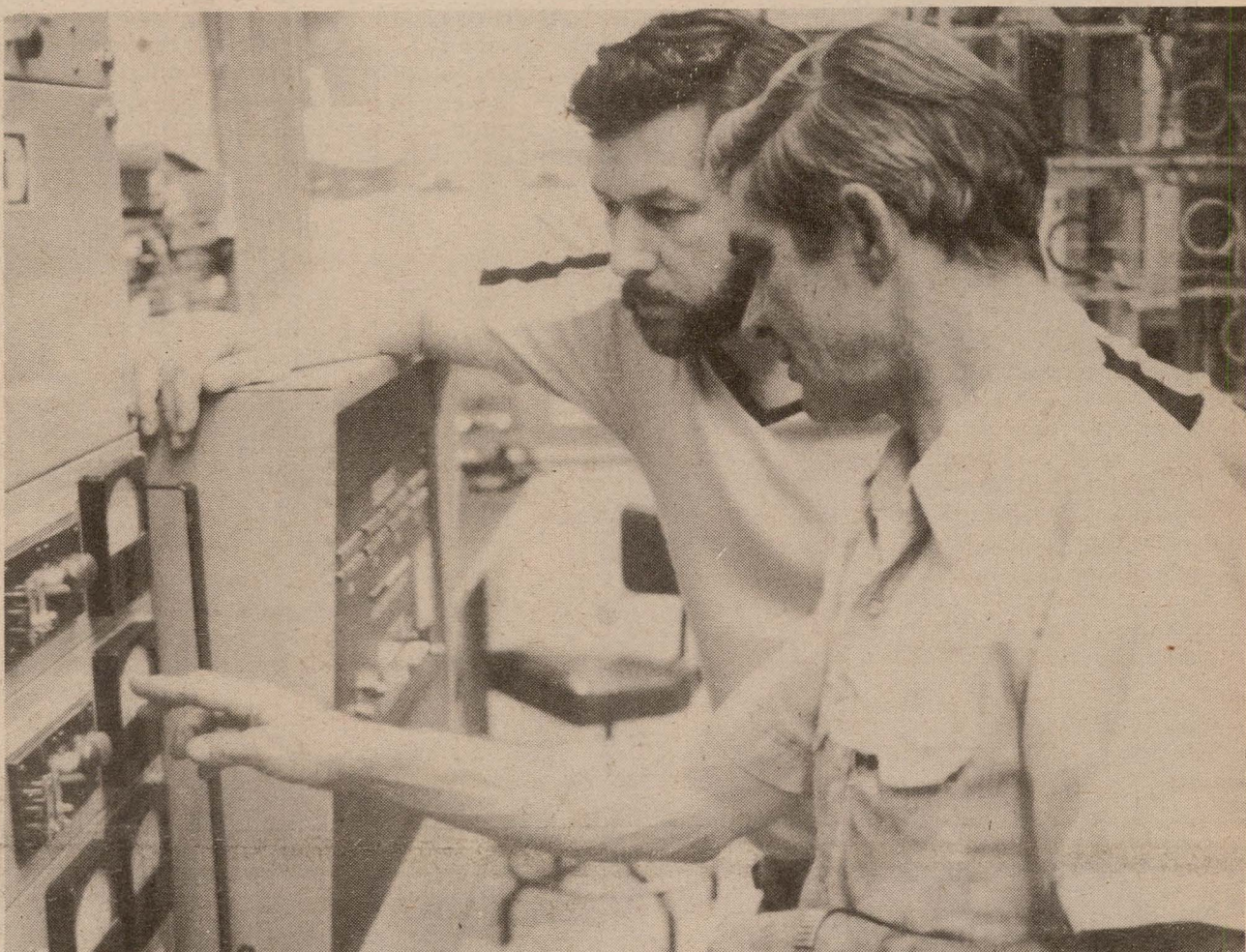
With a simple flip of a switch at the telephone exchange, Gorlinski cut 80 percent of the post's phone service to guard against an overload of the system.

Line load control is an emergency measure designed to cut all but essential, official phones on post.

Presidio military policemen distributed flyers through the affected neighborhoods—all but **Pershing Park and Forts Barry and Cronkhite**—advising residents that the line load control was in effect and explaining to them alternate ways of contacting emergency services.

Gorlinski contacted officials at Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company who dispatched an emergency team of technicians and a back-up rectifier from San Jose. The team and their equipment reached the Presidio at 6 p.m. Monday.

At 6:15 p.m., Gorlinski restored phone service to post residents. By that time, he explains, most Presidio offices were closed and the official demand for phone service was minimal.



Keeping an eye out

Charles Irwin, (r.) and Cloyd Bailey monitor power supply meters at the telephone exchange. A faulty switch at the power generator resulted in an 80

Gorlinski also ordered \$22,000 worth of new rectifiers from an Ohio manufacturer which were rushed to the post for installation yesterday morning.

He says that the old rectifiers had been installed in 1952 and that "they were so old, parts to repair them were not available from the manufacturer."

He says that with the new equipment, he anticipates no further problems.

He credits cooperation between members of his

percent cut in phone service Monday. \$22,000 worth of new equipment was installed yesterday to replace old and damaged pieces of the system.

directorate, the facilities engineers and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph with averting the potential loss of all phone service on post.

"This is a perfect example," he says, "of how everyone from the surgeon in the operating room to a housewife whose child slipped and scraped his leg is affected by the communications system."

Gorlinski says the present on post phone system is slated to be replaced next year with more modern commercial service.

Increased fees postponed, rate to double next year

A plan to double parking fees at federal installations—including the Presidio—has been shelved by the Office of Management and Budget.

According to a General Services Administration (GSA) new release, the increase in parking fees, which was to have taken effect yesterday, has been postponed until Oct. 1, 1981.

The revenue from the proposed increase would not have justified the administrative costs of making the increase, said the GSA in explaining the postponement.

Since last October, Presidians have been paying \$10 a month to park in reserved

spaces. That rate was supposedly half the fee charged at nearby commercial parking lots.

With next year's increase, the parking fees will be roughly the same as those paid in downtown San Francisco lots or in effect, a doubling of the current charge.

The federal parking fee was imposed to encourage federal workers and military personnel to save energy by ride-sharing or use of public transportation. According to a survey conducted earlier this year by the Headquarters Commandant's office, however, few Presidians changed their driving habits as a result of the parking charge.

Post workers honored

Five Presidio civilian employees were honored Tuesday by the Bay Area Executive Board at a luncheon in the Presidio Officers' Club.

Donald Krueger of the Directorate of Facilities Engineers was named the "Employee of the Year" in the trades and crafts category while four other civilians were recognized as runners up.

The four included Eric Saul of the Presidio Museum in the professional category; Eilene Craig of the Adjutant's Office, clerical category; Prince Hill of DIO, trades and crafts; and Barry Gaab of the Presidio Fire Department in the Service to community category.

The five employees received the honors after they were selected from among nearly 140 employees at federal activities throughout the Bay Area.

Opinion

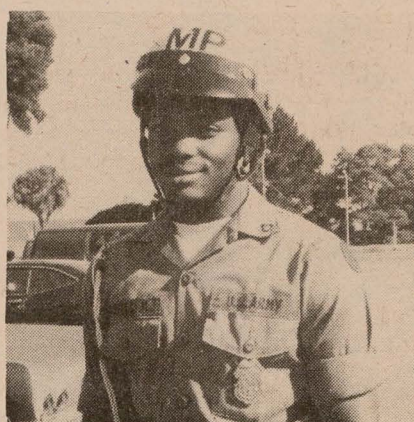
Ramblin' Sam

What are you doing to conserve energy?



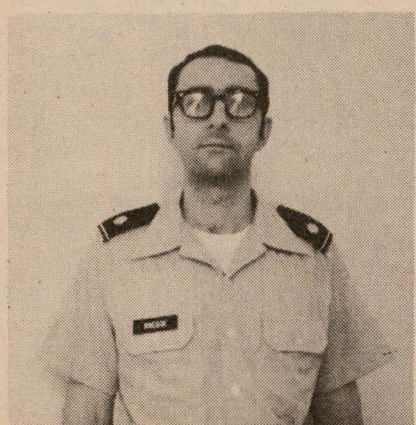
Sp4 Barbra McArthur, Sixth Army—"I bought a motorcycle which saves on gas. I always turn off lights when not in use."

PFC Mike Maxwell, 170th MP—"When I'm not in my room, the lights and electrical items are turned off. I also walk to do any errands on post instead of using my car."



Alice Gascon, Transportation—"I turn off unnecessary lights and carpool to save on gas. I also go swimming at the beach to 'cool off' instead of using my swimming pool."

SFC Theron Parlin, Vet Activities—"By keeping the thermostat set at the regulated temperature in my home and the office, I'm saving energy. Plus I don't make any unnecessary trips with the car and walk whenever possible."



Maj. Luis Dresge DESOPS—"I walk to work instead of driving the car. Also my thermostat is set at 68 degrees and the outdoor lights are turned off."

Training

A means for survival in the future

An 11.7 percent pay raise, increased reenlistment bonuses, and a variable housing allowance. These are just a few of the whole package of benefits on the way to soldiers, compliments of the American people.

These new benefits mark a sharp reversal in the trend to limit military pay raises and hold down military spending. Did you ever ask yourself why?

The answer is that the American people have serious doubts about the Army's ability to defend the country.

Through pressure applied to our elected officials, the American people are taking steps to improve the life of the soldier and to help keep him in the Army as well as attract other young men and women into the services.

But what are we doing to resolve their questions about our ability to defend the country?

We are training.

Unfortunately there are many soldiers who say that training is a waste of time. Supervisors who can't seem to find the time to do the training and still others who sleep, read or doodle while training is going on.

These people comment that the training is keeping them from doing their jobs. They forget that the first and most important job of the Army is to defend the nation.

Of course, not every soldier is going to be up on the front lines fighting the battle. Most will be in rear areas providing support to the infantry and other fighting units.

But rear areas have been known to be attacked or overrun. The lives of the soldiers in these areas depend upon their ability to defend themselves.

The training being conducted here is designed to help support unit soldiers defend themselves. It might be wise to pay attention.

Tom Tiernan

The party to end all parties . . .

It would be the ETS party to end all ETS parties.

There were plenty of people, lots of food, good music and the booze was flowing.

It was a swingin' party and when it was all over the clock showed it was in the early hours of the next day.

"Just three more days," thought the soldier.

Hopping in his car he headed for the highway and the high speeds.

Soon he lost control, or fell asleep, no one knows for sure. The car CRASHED.

Yes, it was the ETS party to end all ETS parties for the 22-year-old, Presidio soldier. For him it ended on a cold slab in the San Francisco morgue.

Tom Tiernan

Editor's Note: This commentary is based on a true incident which involved a soldier assigned here.

We need your name

Dear Readers,

We have received several Action Line calls in the past couple of weeks. Unfortunately, the callers have not left their names and telephone numbers so that we could contact them.

We cannot act upon any Action Line complaint or question unless we know who has made the call and can verify the facts. If you don't want your name in gaining a response, please state that during your call.

Additionally, the Star Presidian cannot run any unsigned letters. We are happy to print a substitute name or no name at all, but all letters must be signed they are received in the office and must contain a phone number.

The Star Presidian staff is happy to help assist you in any way we can. By following the correct procedures, you can help assure that your call or letter will be answered.

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Pair of chaplains make rescues

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

A pair of Presidio chaplains turned rescuers last week when two men attempted to jump off the Golden Gate Bridge in unrelated incidents.

Last Sunday, Chaplain Robert Gilbert, a reservist on duty with the 91st Division, grabbed an unidentified 60-year-old man and dragged him to safety. The man was later identified as a mental patient who was on a weekend pass.

Following that incident, Chaplain Daryl Vanderburgh helped highway patrolmen and rescue specialist talk a Vietnam veteran out of a suicide attempt Tuesday evening.

According to Vanderburgh, he was contacted by police after the man called for Gilbert. He says the man, identified only as "David," apparently had read newspaper reports of Gilbert's rescue.

Vanderburgh says he got a call from the Presidio Fire Department at 8:30 p.m. explaining the situation and asking for his help. Five minutes later, military policemen arrived at his house to "whisk" him over to the Bridge to talk to the potential jumper.

"All the way out," Vanderburgh says, "I kept asking myself, 'What am I going to tell this man?'"

Vanderburgh says that the man complained of the plight of Vietnam veterans and said he hadn't eaten for four days.

"Life is hell," Vanderburgh quotes him as saying, "and if I take one step back, I'm going to heaven."

Vanderburgh and others on the scene took turns talking to the man trying to "defuse his anger."

At one point, Vanderburgh says, he was sure that the man was going to jump.

Through it all, though, Vanderburgh says "I thought that if this man jumps, I'll never forget the look on his face."

He says that the man was situated on the



Presidio rescuer

Chaplain Daryl Vanderburgh explains how it all happened during his successful rescue of a Vietnam vet from the Golden Gate Bridge. Vanderburgh's action followed a similar incident in which

bridge in such a way as to make grabbing him and pulling him to safety impossible.

After 30 minutes of talking, the man suddenly jumped back onto the bridge, bowling over Vanderburgh and others.

another Presidio chaplain, Robert Gilbert, grabbed a man and pulled him to safety. Vanderburgh serves at the Post Chapel and Gilbert is a reservist with the 91st Division.

Vanderburgh says that they talked briefly and he gave the man his phone number.

"I really wish I could say that David has gotten in touch with me," says Vanderburgh, "but he hasn't."



Looking for Crissy Field?

Some Presidio soldiers and civilians may have thought a couple of pilots lost their way last week when helicopters began setting down on the main parade field. Actually, the choppers were part of an earthquake pre-

paredness exercise being conducted at Sixth Army. The exercise involved a number of federal agencies and was aimed at testing coordination and response to an earthquake disaster. (Photo by Harvey Kinoshita)

Suggestion pays off

A former Presidio soldier's suggestion to improve SIDPERs training has netted him more than \$9000 and will save the Army in estimated \$5.7 million.

SFC John Burnam, formerly assigned to the post's COMPACT will also be named outstanding Military Suggestor for 1980 in Washington ceremonies Oct. 17.

Burnam had been assigned as the SIDPERs training NCO here when he came up with the idea to change from a reactive training—teaching people how to correct mistakes—to a "proactive" course designed to keep mistakes from occurring.

His suggestion was originally adopted locally and he received \$1330. Later however, it was adopted Army-wide and he received an additional \$7935.

Burnam has since been reassigned to the Military Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va., to assist in the implementation of his suggestion.

According to Barbara Eckstrom, head of incentive awards for the Civilian Personnel Office, Burnam's suggestion took a lot of hard work and paperwork to get Army-wide approval.

She credits Burnam's section and other post agencies with cooperation and assistance in winning that approval.

Noting that the Presidio leads FORSCOM in adoption rates, she says the post has a 30 percent approval rate or suggestions submitted.

Iran hostage service planned for Monday

A prayer service for the American hostages in Iran and their families will be held at the post chapel Monday at noon.

Participants are invited to stay after for a "brown bag" luncheon following the service.

For more information contact Chaplain Daryl Vanderburgh at 561-4719.

Firefighters gear up for next week

by Bob Mahoney

"A soldier and his family are homeless, but safe, following a fire which completely gutted their Storey Avenue quarters Saturday morning."

This was the lead of a front page story in the **Star Presidian** on April 18. The apparant cause of the blaze, according to Presidio Fire Department officials, was "unsupervised children playing with a cigarette lighter."

Carelessness is just one of the many causes of fires and one that is easy to prevent simply by paying attention to what you do, they say.

Fire fighters throughout the nation are now preparing for **National Fire Prevention Week**, Oct. 5 through 11. Presidio fire fighters will be participating in fire prevention activities throughout the week.

Fire prevention duties are just a part of the many continuous and repetitive responsibilities of the Presidio Fire Department. According to Assistant Chief Eugene Day, "Actual fire calls are just a part of the total picture. Our fire-fighters get involved in everything from automobile extrications to checking gas leaks. We provide crash assistance to Hamilton Field, make cliff rescues and act as medical standbys."

Day, who admits to a few close calls while actually fighting fires, readily recognizes the dangers constantly faced by his dedicated co-workers. He says, "**In the recorded history of fighting fires at the Presidio, at least 15 people have lost their lives, including two Presidio firefighters killed in the line of duty.**"

Included in these 15 are the wife and three children of General "Black Jack," Pershing who were killed in 1915 while the General was involved in the Mexican border skirmishes with Pancho Villa.

In memory of those who have died in fires at the Presidio and throughout the Bay Area, the installation will conduct **services on Oct. 5 as part of the Fire Fighters Memorial Sunday.**

The 35-member Presidio Fire Department made more than 1140 calls of all types during the fiscal year that ended Tuesday. This figure does not include routine inspections but does include numerous medically related calls. Medical calls are becoming routine with the department which now has 14 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) among its personnel. This is three times as many EMT as were on duty last year at this time.

Each fire fighter at the Presidio's two fire stations (one on main post with an auxiliary station at Fort Cronkhite) works a 72-hour week, rotating on cycles of 24 hours on duty followed by 24 hours off. Inspectors and chiefs work a 56 hour week.

This force is responsible not only for fighting fires on the installation and Fort Baker, but also for assistance to Marin County and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area at Forts Barry and Cronkhite.

Fire Prevention activities and responsibilities extend to the Letterman Army Medical Center complex and even includes all Army Reserve Cen-



In the thick of things

On post observances of Fire Fighters Memorial Sunday will be held this Sunday at 11 a.m. at Pershing Square. The service not only honors fire-

ters in northern California as well as those in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada.

"**Inspections do not prevent fires,**" according to Day. "**What inspections do is determine the potential for a fire.** We correct the hazard so that the potential for that fire is reduced considerably."

"Fire prevention succeeds only if people are aware at all times. What we are doing during Fire Prevention Week is to try to make everyone

fighters who have died in the line of duty, but also serves to kick off National Fire Prevention Week. (Photo by Jon Green)

aware of their own responsibilities for fire protection," he concluded.

Activities during the week will include quarters inspections by uniformed fire fighters from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. daily. Also, **on Oct. 6 and again on Oct. 9 at 1 p.m., the fire fighters will be conducting a "hands-on" class on the proper use of fire extinguishers in the parking area adjacent to the Main Fire Station on Lincoln Boulevard.**

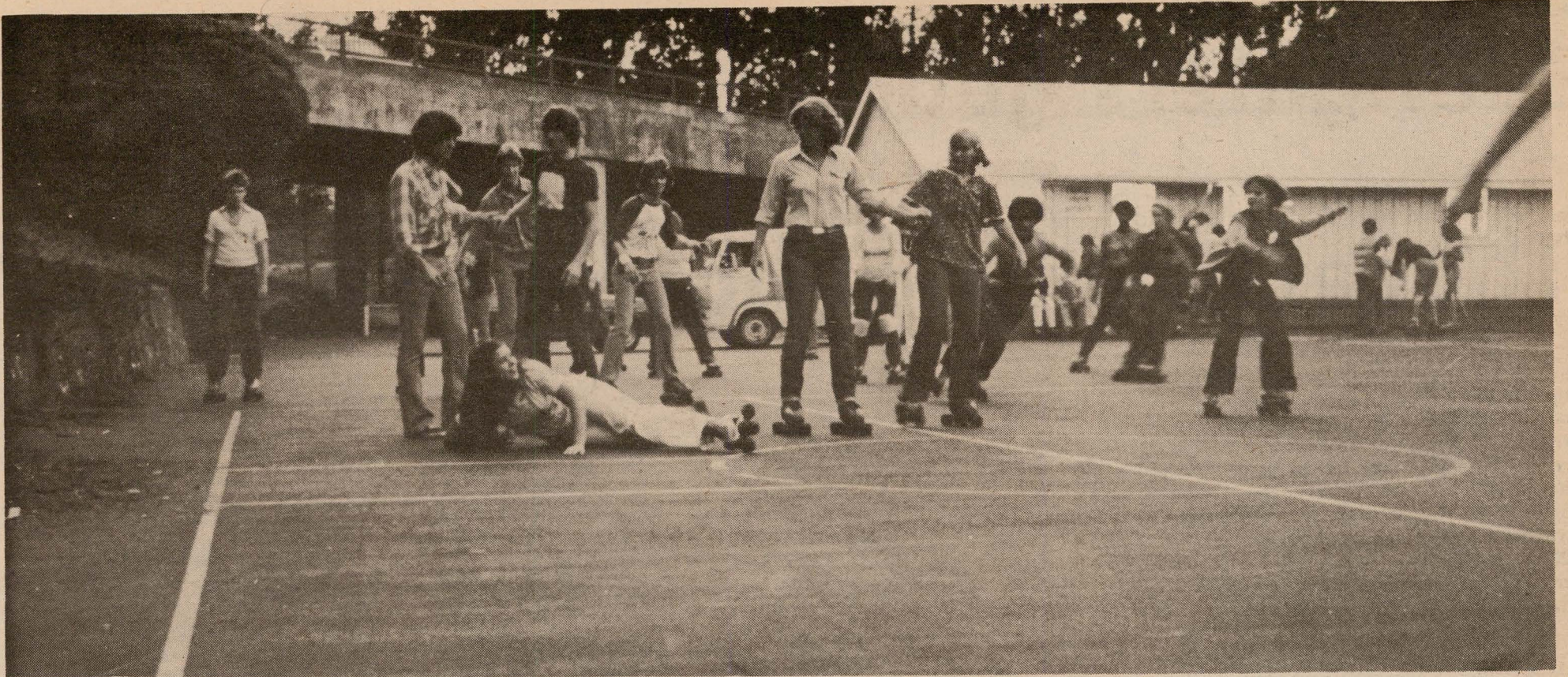
Firefighters service set for Sunday

In the past year, five fire fighters from the Bay Area have lost their lives in the line of duty. Three men were killed in San Francisco, one in Vallejo and the fifth in Contra Costa.

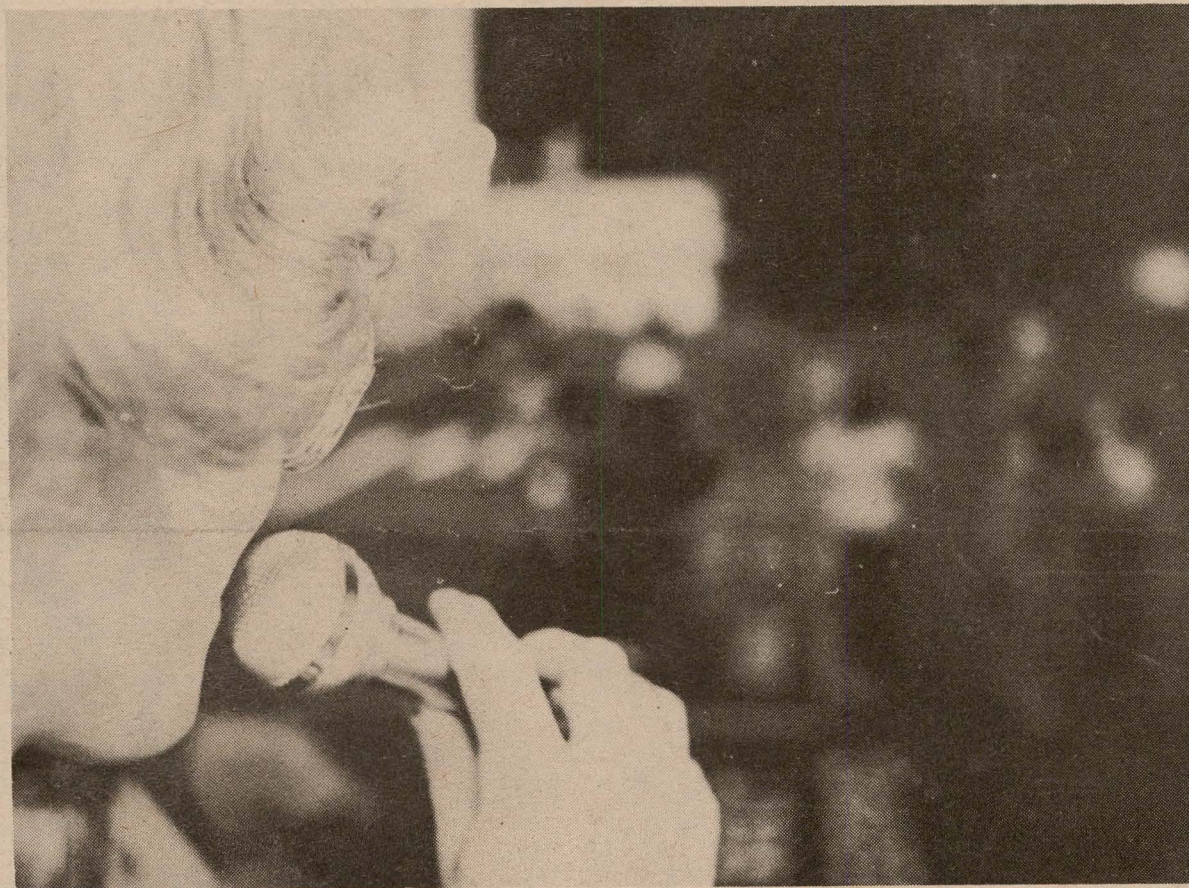
These five, and the memories of the other brave men who have lost their lives fighting fires in the Bay Area, **including two from the Presidio**, will be honored in ceremonies on Fire Fighters Memorial, Sunday, Oct. 5 beginning at 11 a.m. at Pershing Square, Presidio.

The Presidio Fire Department and Local F145 of the International Fire Fighters Association have sent invitations to many Bay Area Fire Departments to participate in the brief ceremony.

The public is also invited to attend the Pershing Square services to share the memory and to pay honor to those who have lost their lives in fires at the Presidio and elsewhere. By so doing, perhaps many more will be more careful in the future and help to eliminate the need for such services through effective fire prevention measures.



At least one skater took a break during the roller skating night at the Religious Activities Center.



Skaters rolled to the sounds of a disc jockey and music.

'Holy Rollers' strike at Presidio

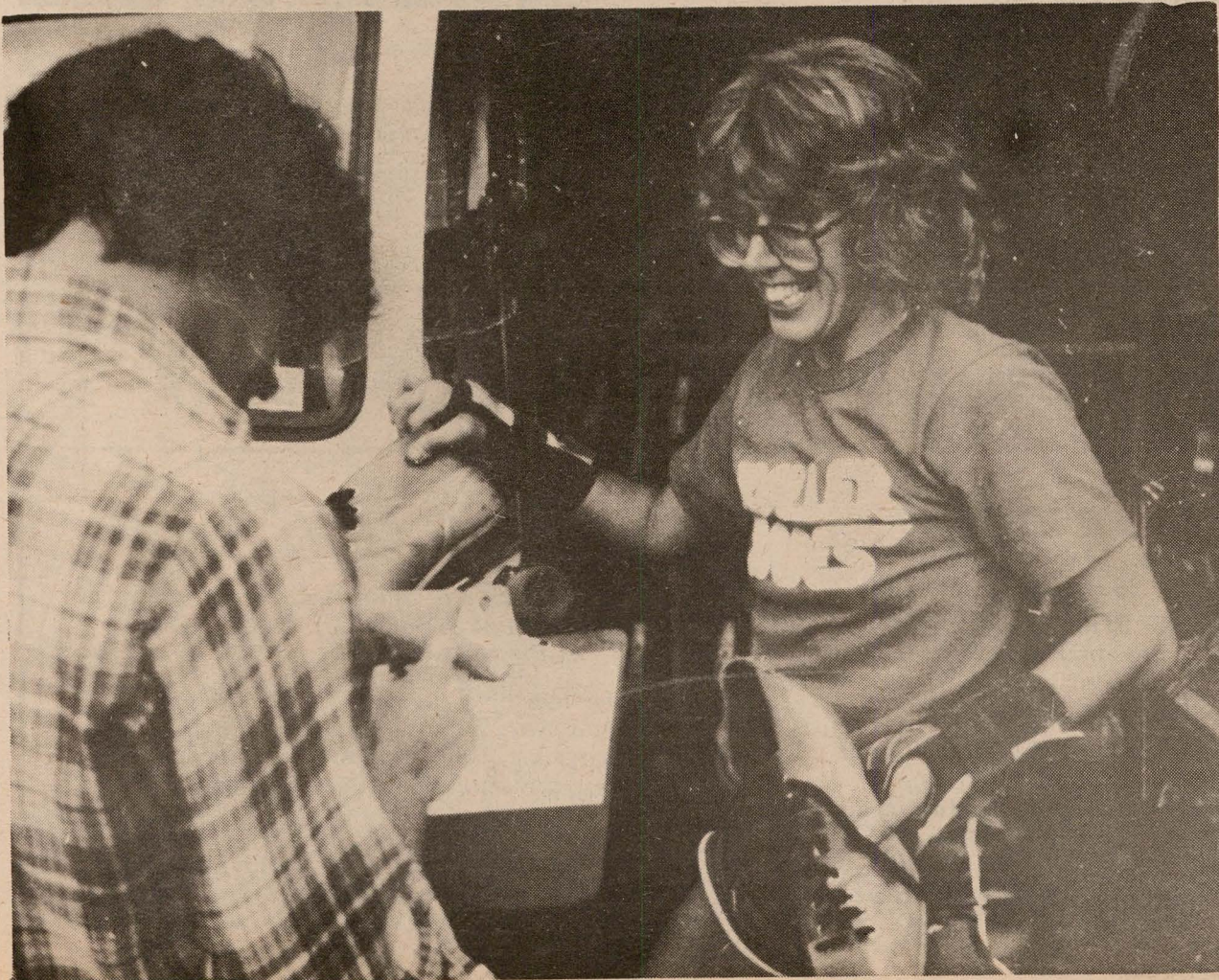
A group of "holy rollers" hit the Presidio Tuesday evening as members of the chapel's youth activities hosted a roller skating night.

According to coordinator, Dee McLaird, the event was used to kick off the year's youth activities.

More than 70 youths showed up Tuesday between 6 and 9 p.m. to participate in the program.

A local vendor rented skates and necessary equipment for the evening's program.

The chapel youth provided music and a disc jockey to keep things moving.



A Presidio youth checks out a pair of skates from a local vendor.



In addition to skates, safety equipment like knee pads were on hand.

Time to spare

Thoreau at playhouse tomorrow

"The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail," starts tomorrow at 8 p.m. as the Presidio Playhouse begins its 14th season. The play, by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, deals with Thoreau's refusal to pay his poll tax in 1846 and the night he spent in jail because of it. The show continues on Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 25 at 8 p.m. with additional performances on Oct. 19 and 26 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3 with active duty, reserve and retired military personnel and their dependents getting a \$1 discount. For more information call 561-3992.

An **Octoberfest** starts tomorrow at 6 p.m. at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. The festival features music, food and entertainment and continues through the weekend from noon to 9 p.m.

Saturday, the **1980 Columbus Day** celebration begins with a bocce ball, or lawn bowling, tournament at the Aquatic Park at 11 a.m. Admission is free.

As part of the celebration, the **blessing of the fishing fleet** will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. at Fisherman's Wharf.

Monday, the Central YMCA is sponsoring six-week **dance exercise** classes at both the Cwent Central YMCA and Fort Mason. The course is designed to improve endurance, flexibility and muscle tone. For more information call 885-0460.

Motorcycle and auto race fans can look forward to plenty of action on local tracks. The second **Annual Winston World Record Challenge** takes place at the Fremont Raceway Saturday and Sunday. The event features some of the biggest names in NHRA competition. For more information call 651-2545.

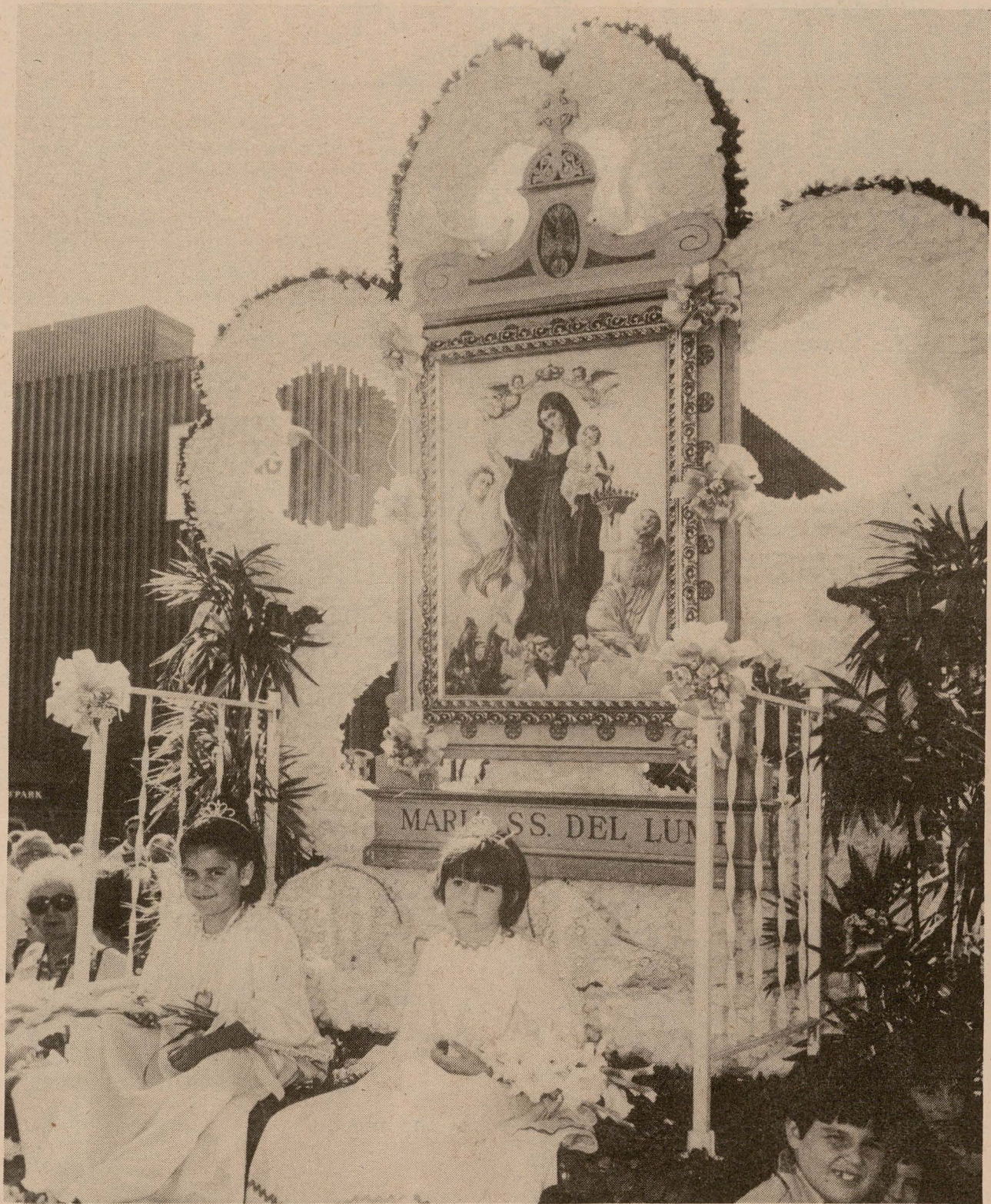
Oct. 18 and 19 a **five race event** takes place at the **Laguna Seca Raceway** in Monterey. Call (408) 373-1811.

October is the final month of **free walking tours in Golden Gate Park**. The tours, scheduled every weekend, explore the history, plant life and contemporary concerns of the park. The tours last approximately two hours and follow three separate routes:

The **East End Walking Tour** begins at the McLaren Lodge on Fell and Stanyan Streets every Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. Highlights of the tour include the conservatory valley, the music concourse and the children's playground.

The **Strawberry Hill** tour starts at the North End of the Rose Garden every Saturday at 2 p.m. The pioneer log cabin, Stow Lake and the crest of Strawberry Hill are included in the tour.

The **West End Walking Tour** leaves the Anglers lodge parking lot every Sunday at 2 p.m. and takes participants through the Chain of Lakes, the park's windmills, the beach chalet and the reforestation planting site. For more information, call 221-1310.



Columbus Day procession

Diminutive angels and plume-crested knights are hallmarks of the Madonna del Lume procession which precedes the annual blessing of San Francisco's fishing fleet. The centuries-old Sicilian rite

will be repeated in North Beach on Sunday, as part of the city's Columbus Day celebration. (Photo courtesy of San Francisco Convention and Visitor's Bureau)

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio

Oct. 2	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 4	Jason and the Argonauts (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 4	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	The Legacy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 9	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.

Oct. 3	The Black Hole (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	The Electric Horseman (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	Rough Cut (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	Friday the 13th (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 9	Don't Answer the Phone (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 11	The Bugs Bunny/Road Runner Movie (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 11	The Bugs Bunny/Road Runner Movie (G)	7 p.m.

Letterman's Schwartz Theater
Oct. 2 Mad Magazine Presents: Up the Academy (R) 7 p.m.

Oct. 10	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
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This week's Presidio preview is of "The Empire Strikes Back," which starts Saturday at the post theater.

The movie is the long-awaited sequel to "Star Wars," and picks up the tale of Luke Skywalker, Hans Solo and Princess Leia as they continue their fight against Darth Vader.

The special effects, one of the highlights of Star Wars, are just as good in Empire and some critics have called this sequel an even better movie than the original.

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian once again gives its own "peerless pigskin prognosticator, Jimmy the Freak, and his picks of the week.

Jimmy reports that he had a "little trouble" last week. He sent 9-5 for an overall 30-12 record.

According to Jimmy, he has cleaned the smudges off his crystal ball and confidently announces his picks of this week.

Those picks include:

**Green Bay 17, Cincinnati 13
(UPSET OF THE WEEK)**

No matter what happens with Bart Starr, the "Pack" will be back (at least for one week).

**New York Jets 27, New England 24
(UPSET OF THE WEEK—2)**

The Jets have traditionally played the Patriots tough.

Oakland 23, Kansas City 10

The Chiefs' game plans have been so outdated, expect them to dropkick for extra points.

San Diego 28, Buffalo 17
Somebody has to lose.

Cleveland 23, Denver 17

Denver's game is going downhill. Cleveland's game has been White and Bright.

Dallas 27, New York Giants 10
Does a bear walk in the woods?

Atlanta 27, Detroit 21

Atlanta is playing well, and it's extremely rare to see any team go 5-0 after a 2-14 season.

Los Angeles 20, San Francisco 13

Next year these points will be reversed.

Philadelphia 34, Washington 24

Philadelphia should be up after last week's debate.

Baltimore 24, Miami 16

Bert Jones is playing better and in better health than the three Miami quarterbacks, combined.

Pittsburgh 30, Minnesota 7

Do two bears walk in the woods?

Houston 30, Seattle 24

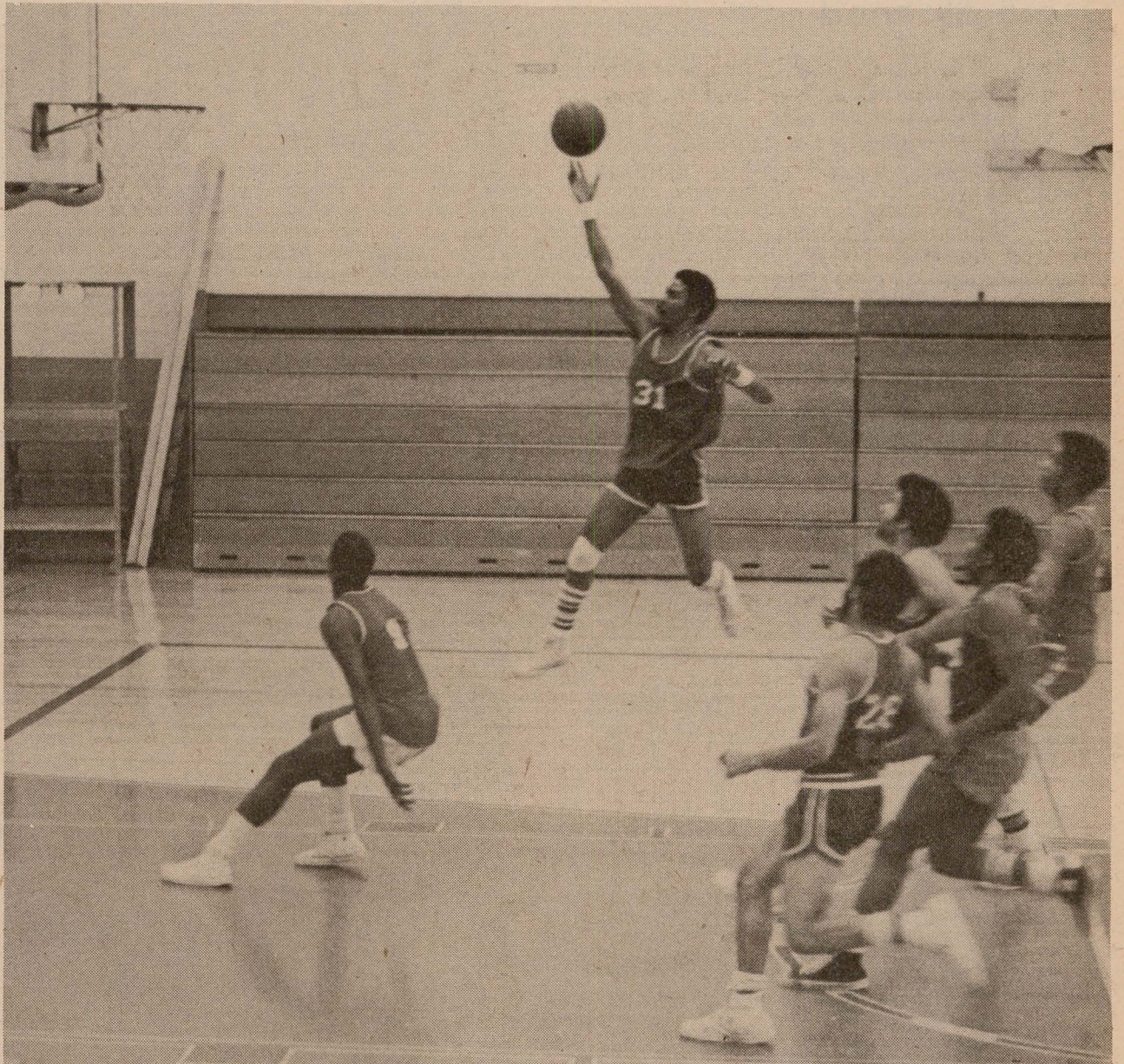
Passing game is equal, but Earl Campbell makes the difference.

Chicago 21, Tampa 13

Who cares?

New Orleans 20, St. Louis 17

This team is just a little too talented to the 0-5. St. Louis played out of its skull in beating Philadelphia.



Hopping hoopster

A basketball player leaps for two points in this scene from last year's post basketball season. Both men and women's teams are forming now for

this year's season. For more information contact the post gym at 561-4120. (Star Presidian File Photo)

LAMC rolls over MPs, Engineers battle it out

The passing combination of quarterback **Eric Randolph** to "Jumping Jack" **Gibson** dominated the game as LAMC No. 1 crushed the 170th MP's 20-0.

LAMC got in the scoring column after three plays which covered 51 yards. Randolph threw to Gibson for 15 yards, ran the next play around end for 14 and then capped the scoring drive with an "alley oop" pass to Gibson for 22 yards and the touchdown.

In the second quarter, the MP's, battling to overcome a six point deficit, sent "Big Al" **Allen** scooting around end for 35 yards down to the 15 yard line, but LAMC's defense kept the MP's from scoring.

LAMC padded their advantage to 14 points before the half ended on a nine-yard touchdown pass from Randolph to **Oscar Lightburn** followed by a two point conversion.

Defense controlled the second half as both teams failed to sustain any long scoring drives until Randolph found his favorite receiver, **Gibson**, in the end zone late in the fourth quarter for the final score and the victory.

The 51st and the 864th Engineers started out slow in the first half but ended in a see-saw fireworks display as the 51st came from behind to win 20-17.

In the first half both defensive teams controlled the game until the final two minutes, when 864th's **Kelly Sutton** scored on a 35-yard punt return for a 6-0 lead.

In the second half both offensive teams came out firing with the 51st throwing a 55-yard touchdown from **Bobby Jenkins** to **Timothy**

Warren. The 864th bombed right back with a 53-yard touchdown pass to **Burt Fabretti**. The 51st's **Jenkins** and **Warren** combined once again to tie the game at 14 all.

With only 31 seconds left in the game, the 864th's **Bruce Rodgers** appeared to have put his team in the victory column with a field goal. But the 51st was not to be denied using its two-minute offense to perfection. Moving 41 yards in three plays, the 51st captured the win on a touchdown pass from **Jenkins** to **Victor Rice**.

The Corps of Engineers struck with lightning in their first possession with quarterback **Steve Workstrom** scoring on a 38-yard run for a 6-0 lead against Four Seasons.

Workstrom struck again, returning a punt for 34 yards and a 13-0 lead.

To put the finishing touches to a lopsided first half, the Corps once again scored behind Workstrom who lead his team down field and scored from eight yards out for a 20-0 half-time lead.

The second half was academic with both teams scoring one touchdown. The Four Seasons score came from a six-yard run by **Rozelle Jaynes**.

The Corps' last score came once again by the player of the night, Workstrom, with a 37-yard touchdown run and a final score of 28-7.

In a one-sided affair, Oakland Army Base breezed past a hapless Four Seasons, 26-0.

OARB's **Reginald Linsey** contributed to all of his team's scores by running in from the 12, 10 and two yard lines. Linsey also combined with **David Tonner** for the final touchdown.

Presidio News Notes

Demo planned

The Presidio Toastmasters' Club is hosting demonstration meetings on Oct. 9 and 23 at noon. The Oct. 9 meeting will be held in the NCO Club and the Oct. 23 will be at the Education Center.

For more information contact Mark Bollinger at 561-3882.

Program starting

A weight reducing program may be offered on post during lunch if enough personnel are interested.

For more information call Joe Pollard at 561-3656 or Mary Vogiatyis at 561-3870.

Meeting set

A "Blacks in Government" meeting will be held tomorrow at 6 p.m. at 450 Golden Gate Ave., in room 9022.

All military and civilian personnel are invited to attend.

For more information contact Maj. Wallace Brown at 561-3852/5040 or Doris Kirk at 561-2688/4822.

Testing announced

The Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) will be offered at testing centers on Oct. 25.

The scores on the GMAT, a test of academic aptitude designed to estimate an applicant's promise for success in a program of graduate study are used by about 675 graduate schools of management in admission to masters of business administration.

GMAT Information Bulletins containing registration materials, test center locations and sample questions are available locally from the Fort Scott Education Center and the LAMC Education Center.

The GMAT fee for candidates tested at test centers in the U. S. is \$23.50.

For more information call a college counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974/4445, or the Letterman Education Center, 561-4030/3693.



A winner

John Green of the Post Photo Lab snared top honors for the Photo of the Quarter with this entry. Winners from previous weeks competed for the

prize. If you would like to enter one of your photographs, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 216.

Recycling pays for youth activities



Cleaning up

This youth sorts through paper and garbage in search of some of the newspaper that helps fund

on post youth activities. Saturday the next recycling drive for newspapers and cans will take place.

"If we didn't have this recycling program, it would definitely hurt us." That is how Ginger Daniels, one of the coordinators of the Saturday recycling effort describes the impact of tons of old newspapers and cans on the post's youth activities.

According to Ms. Daniels the proceeds from recycling amounted to more than \$5000 through the end of August and have contributed greatly to the youth programs here.

The first Saturday in every month Ms. Daniels and other volunteers oversee the work of representatives from a variety of youth activities on post. Bins full of newspaper and magazines are sorted through and the newspapers are then stacked inside a trailer.

Ms. Daniels notes that the sorting is a lot of work for the youths involved. "If we didn't have the kids, we could just forget about it," she says.

Much of the sorting procedure involves separating the newspapers from other publications in the bins such as magazines which cannot be recycled because of the staples in them.

This Saturday the youths will be at the recycling point and canvassing the post for old newspapers and cans as their money-raising drive continues.

The recycling point recently moved and is now located behind building 661 by the auto craft shop.

Pay increase in October checks

President Carter signed an executive order Friday which cleared the way for payment of full benefits under the FY 81 Department of Defense (DoD) Authorization Bill and the Nunn-Warner Amendment.

The President's action came after Congress passed a continuing resolution authority (CRA) Wednesday, authorizing DoD to spend at FY 81 levels. Normally, a (CRA) would authorize government agencies to spend only at the previous year's levels.

The CRA was passed one day after DoD ran out of money when the Senate failed to pass the FY 81 DoD Appropriations Bill. The Senate recessed

Friday without passing the bill and will not act on the appropriations until it reconvenes after the November general elections.

As a result of the CRA and the executive order, **Presidio soldiers can expect to see their 11.7 percent pay increase in their October paychecks.** For those who draw mid-month checks, the increase will be included.

According to Department of the Army officials contacted by the **Star Presidian** Monday, the **Variable Housing Allowance under the Nunn-Warner Amendment is also included in the benefits payable under the CRA.**

The DA officials said that the VHA housing

cost indexes are scheduled to be sent to the Army Finance and Accounting Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., tomorrow. The indexes will then be forwarded to post finance offices.

The VHA is supplemental housing allowance paid to soldiers in high cost housing areas like San Francisco. There is no word yet on how much of an increase the VHA would mean for Presidio soldiers.

DA officials cautioned Monday, however, that there still could be some delay in payment of the VHA despite the congressional action. They say the Secretary of Defense could exercise his authority to delay payments until a later date.

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Waiting for confirmation

Civilians get increases on time

Despite some rumors to the contrary, Presidio civilians in special pay categories will be getting their 9.1 percent raises on time this year.

According to John Campbell, personnel management specialist at the Civilian Personnel Office, "We have already computed what those increases will be and we are only waiting for official confirmation."

Campbell says that the increase will be made for the pay period which began Oct. 5 and that

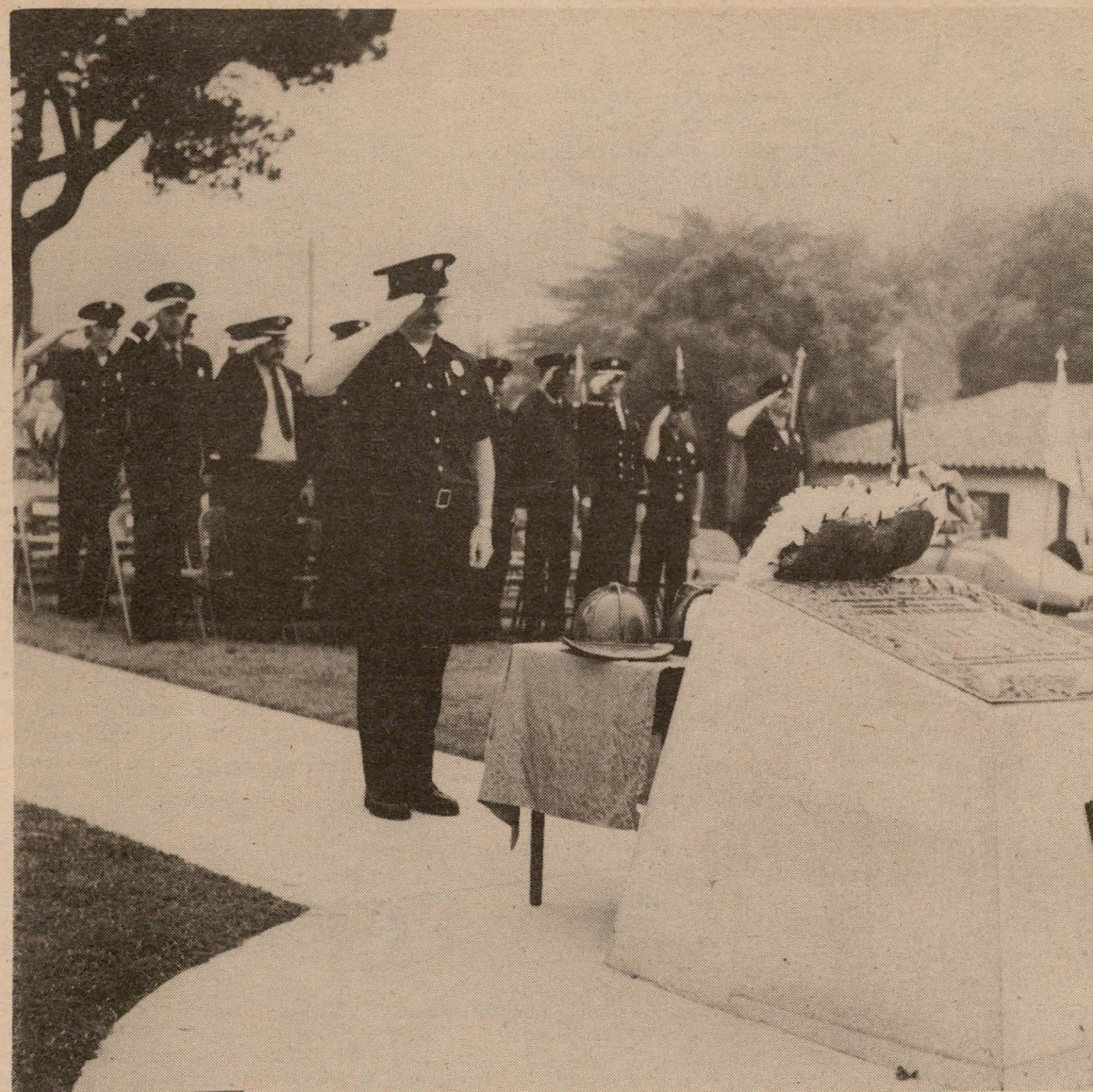
civilian employees entitled to special pay can expect to see the increase in their next paychecks.

The increases affect hundreds of post employees, Campbell says. He notes that many secretaries, nurses, laboratory technicians, engineers and others on post are required to have special skills for their jobs and are included in the special pay category.

In the past, Campbell says the CPO waited

until the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) in Washington computed the yearly pay increase for each specialty and then sent that information to the field via special bulletins. Campbell says that often meant delays in payments to the special category civilians.

This year, Campbell says the CPO got the information form OPM ahead of time and must wait only for a green light from Washington to make the pay transactions.



In memory

Presidio Firefighter James Roseman leads a salute during Fireman Firefighters Memorial Sunday services held at Pershing Square this weekend. The services honored firefighters

who died in the line of duty, including two members of the Presidio fire department.

(Photo by Greg Stewart)

FBI searching for suspects in auto theft

by Jon Chelgren

The FBI is investigating an automobile theft which occurred on post Friday morning behind Letterman Army Medical Center.

According to Sgt. James Benishek of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office, the incident occurred Friday at 1:50 a.m. after Leona Smith and Katherine Buqia, both civilians, left the Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club.

Buqia was driving Smith's car which was followed away from the club by a second car occupied by three unidentified suspects, Benishek says.

The second car repeatedly bumped Smith's car before pulling in front of it on Gorgas Avenue near building 1151.

When they were forced to stop, Smith left her car and went to a third vehicle being driven by Spec. 4 Ronald Williamson of LAMC. Williamson had apparently followed the other vehicles when he saw what was happening, says Benishek.

While Smith was in Williamson's car, the driver of the second auto approached Smith's car with a knife. Buqia, who had remained at the vehicle, then got out and stood behind the car.

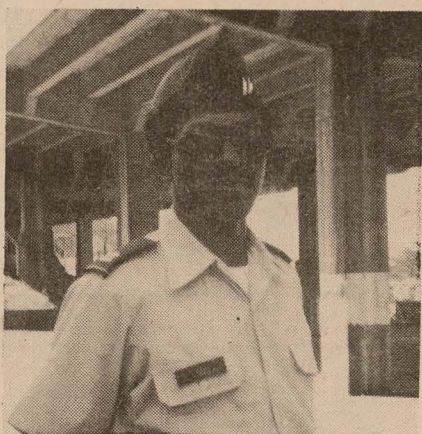
The unidentified male got in and drove off in Smith's car. His own vehicle followed him off the post.

Williamson pursued the two cars off post, but eventually lost them. He later took Smith and Buqia to the Provost Marshal's office to report the incident.

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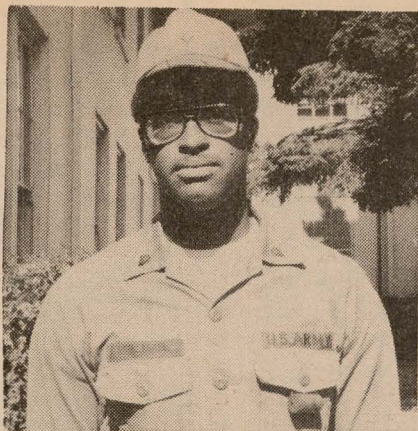
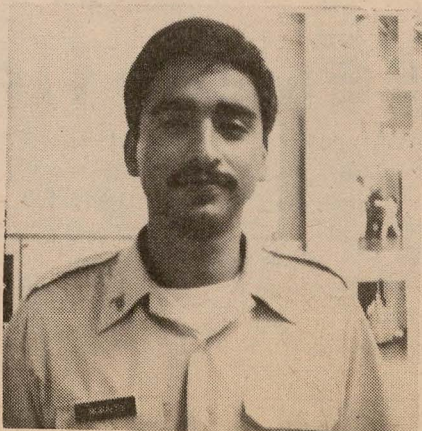
Ramblin' Sam

What is the Presidio's mission?



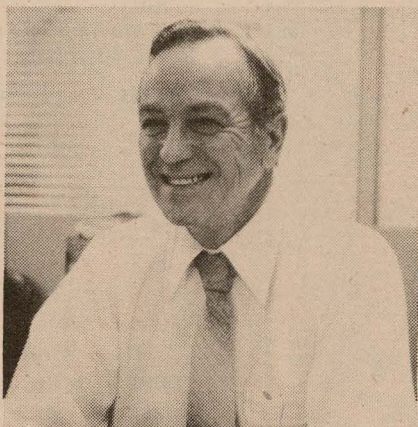
Capt. Garry Long, Finance—"This post supports the recruiting commands. The Presidio is an administered installation with its tenant units and major commands such as Sixth Army's responsibility to train and support reserve units on the West Coast."

Sgt. Edward Morales, Vet Activity—"LAMC provides medical services to the active and retired military personnel in this area. Sixth Army, one of the major commands ensures the training and support of their reserve units."



Spec 4 Kurt Williams, 864th Engineers—"The Presidio supports the active as well as retired military personnel in this area. We also support military and civilian activities related to the military in the community."

Robert Glynn, Movements—"The Presidio's mission is to back-up the defense of this nation by providing total support to meet any contingency."



SSgt. Tom Tiernan, PAO—"The Presidio has several missions. First it provides service and support to Sixth Army and other tenant units. Secondly, we assist in the training of reserve units assigned to Sixth Army. Our mission also includes providing a positive image of the Army in the Bay Area."

Parents

How do you rate with your kids?

A San Francisco television station recently ran a series of questions on the subject of "Are you a good parent?", as part of its evening newscast.

I'd like to ask the same question of Presidians.

Do you put your children out to play in the morning, call them in for lunch and then put them back out till dinner while you clean, talk on the phone or watch TV?

Do you send your children out to play at night because you have company or are doing something and can't be bothered by the kids?

Are your children running around outside with no shoes or jackets even on the coldest of days?

Are your children playing chicken with cars in the housing area?

Do you leave your children unattended to go shopping and stay away for several hours?

When was the last time you took the time to become involved in some activity your child was interested in?

How often do you take your child to the bathroom and really "blister" his rump?

When was the last time you gave your child a hug?

While these questions are not scientifically based, they are designed to make you think about how good of a parent you are.

If you are bothered by your answers to any of the questions, then you may need help in dealing with the task of being a parent.

If you suspect you need help, contact the Military Police, Army Community Services or Letterman Army Medical Center, before it's too late for you or your child.

Tom Tiernan

They risk their lives because of other's carelessness

Douglas MacArthur once said, "The soldier who is called upon to give his life for his country is the noblest development of mankind."

There is a certain truth in that. It may be very noble to not only commit oneself to this country's ideals but also be willing to fight and die for them.

Equally noble is the work of the dedicated bands of men and women throughout this country who are firefighters and are often called upon to risk their lives in the performance of their duties.

The tragic part of the story, however, is that instead of high ideals, these men and women are often called upon to risk their

lives because of someone else's carelessness.

Whether it is falling asleep with a cigarette or allowing unsupervised children to play with matches, carelessness is a major cause of fires in this country. and it is also the easiest to correct.

Tomorrow, we will reach the official end of Fire Prevention Week. If we paid any attention at all, we will probably still go back to our same careless attitude toward fire prevention.

And when the flames start, the firefighters will once again be called upon to risk their lives for someone's carelessness.

The Editor

Shopping around can save you money

For those who think that it doesn't pay to shop around, perhaps the tale of a friend of ours will correct that impression.

The man found that he needed a new muffler installed on his car. Since he lives in Marin County, he contacted the local branch of a nationally known muffler repair shop and he was quoted a price of \$77.50.

Many of us would have grumbled but gone ahead and paid the

amount. Our friend, however, decided to contact a San Francisco branch of the same muffler repair shop. He was given an estimate of just \$55.

Out of curiosity, he decided to call a car dealership and was quoted a price of a whopping \$125.

So rather than grumbled about prices these days, the next time you are in the market, shop around.

The Editor

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Roll up your car windows

by Jon Chelgren

More than 100 Presidians who parked at Letterman Army Medical Center last week returned to their automobiles to find a notice left by the Military Police.

Sgt. James Benishek of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office toured the LAMC parking lot putting flyers on cars which he found left with the windows down.

The notices, he says, are part of an anti-auto theft drive.

Saying he could have handed out many more of the notices if he would have continued checking the parking lots. Benishek says that the windows are open invitations to car thieves.

Benishek says his office has on file cases where automobiles were stolen on post after people left them open and with the keys in the car.

Securing unattended vehicles, he says, is the first step toward ruining a car thief's plans.

He also says that Presidians can take a number of other steps. One of those is not leaving a

spare set of keys on the outside of the vehicle.

Instead, Benishek urges people to keep their spare keys in their wallets or purses.

Benishek also suggests that people replace their door latches with ones that do not have a "lip" that would-be thieves can grab with a coat hanger.

An area radio station—KYUU— is offering motorists a free anti-theft packet which includes the new door latches.

Neighbor breaks in, puts out hot skillet

by Jon Chelgren

Presidio firefighters raced to 1527 B Pershing Drive Friday morning to discover a skillet left burning on the stove.

The quarters occupant, SFC Douglas Thompson of the 864th Engineers, was not at home at the time.

According to Assistant Chief Eugene Day, if the skillet had been left burning any longer, the grease in the pan could have caused a fire as well

as filling the quarters with toxic fumes.

The firefighters responded to the call shortly after 7 a.m. when Thompson's neighbors smelled smoke and then heard the fire alarm inside.

Spec. 6 Roger Criss of LAMC, who resides in 1527 A, broke into Thompson's quarters and put out the skillet before the firefighters arrived.

Day says the incident illustrates the need for the fire alarms in post quarters. He notes that his department has a number of cases on file where

residents were tipped off to a fire by the alarms and were able to either extinguish it before it became serious or get out of their homes safely.

The most striking case, Day says, occurred in March 1979 when a man and his three children fled their quarters on Portola Street after they were awakened by the fire alarm at 4 a.m. The fire gutted the building just minutes after they got out.



Look out ocean here I come

When temperatures soared last week, many sought the comfort of the beaches, as did this youngster. Theater wave set new "high" records for the San Francisco area.

The 97 degree temperature brought so many sun worshippers to Baker Beach that cars were lined up along both sides of Lincoln Blvd., causing some drivers to get hot under

the collar. Fortunately Letterman Army Medical Center officials reported no increase in the number of heat related injuries. Now that cool weather has returned, many Presidians are turning up their thermostats. All Presidians are reminded that thermostats in government buildings may not be set above 65 degrees. So wrap up. (Photo by John Green)

Jazz great to play at celebration

San Francisco jazz legend **Turk Murphy** will get All-American Week off to a swinging start Oct. 28.

Murphy and his band will hit the stage following opening ceremonies which begin at 11 a.m.

The hour long concert is free to the public, as are of the week's events.

Considered one of the jazz greats, Murphy is performing free of charge to show his support for the celebration of American culture.

Joining Murphy on the stage will be KNBR radio disc jockeys **Frank Dill** and **Carter B. Smith** who will also be participating in the open ceremonies.

According to project officer Capt. Ron Seikel, the week is designed to draw Presidians and San Franciscans together in recognition of the many ethnic groups which have contributed to American culture.

In addition to musical groups, the week's events will also include displays, dancing, and martial arts exhibitions. Food vendors will be on hand to sell food from various countries around the world.

The five day celebration will conclude Nov. 1.

Band to kick off fund drive

The 1980 Combined Federal Campaign for the Presidio will kick off on Tuesday with a tour of the post by the Dixieland Jazz Band of the Sixth Army Band.

The band will roll throughout the post on the back of a flatbed truck and will perform in 10 locations.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Letterman Army Medical Center, the band will also perform at Letterman Army Institute of Research, post engineers, post headquarters, Sixth Army headquarters, and Logistics Control Activity, the PX, finance and the Officer's Club before finishing their tour at the NCO Enlisted Club.

The tour is designed to draw the attention of Presidians to the CFC, the only fund raising campaign authorized by the federal government.

The CFC for 1980 will end Nov. 24.



Sp4 James Fabretti works on a tank trap.

864th does its thing in the field during ARTEP

Photos by John Green

Members of the Company D, 864th Engineers returned from an Army Test and Evaluation Phase (ARTEP) Friday with a satisfactory completion of 89 of the required 91 tasks.

The ARTEP is an annual requirement which determines the ability of the engineers to do their jobs.

In addition to the 864th, other Fort Scott units supported the field training exercise including elements of the 504th Military Police Battalion

and the 16th AG Detachment (Postal).

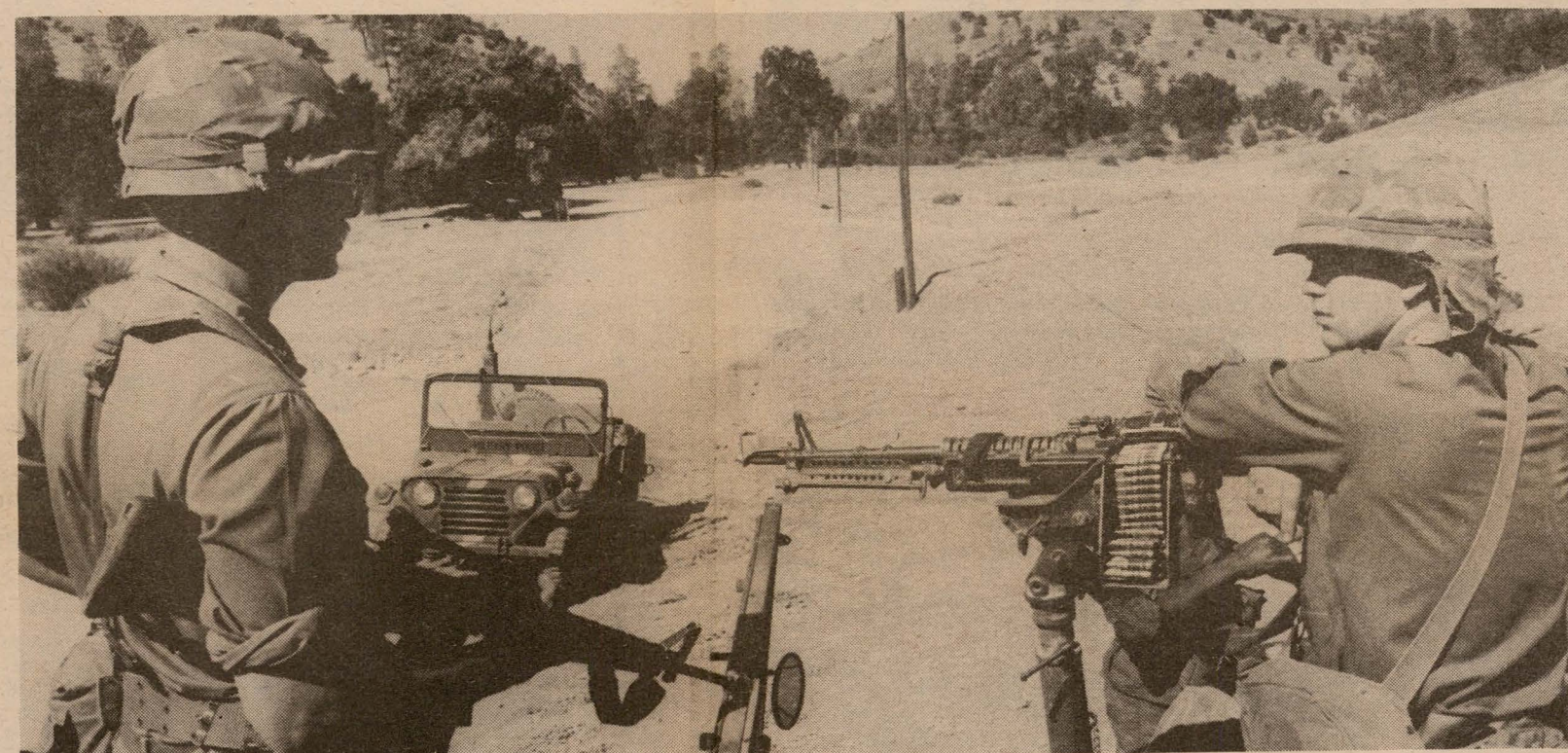
The ARTEP was held in blistering heat at Hunter-Liggett field. The exercise began Sept. 25.

During the ARTEP, the 864th was required to complete a variety of tasks including building bridges and defending them, constructing tank traps and other combat-related skills.

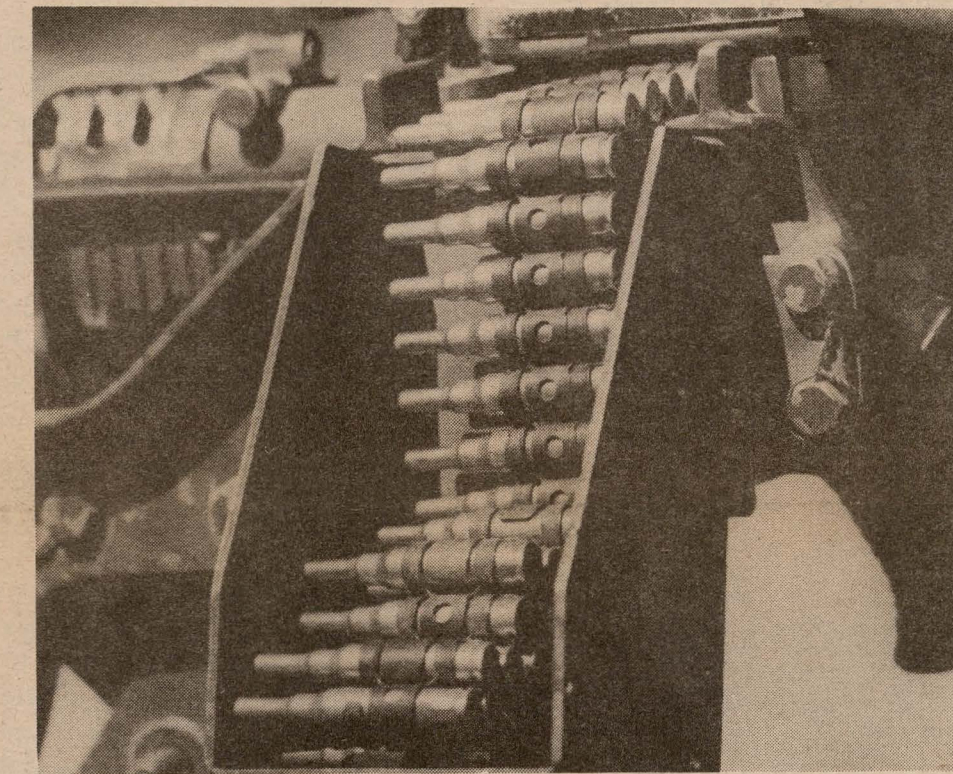
According to one member of the unit the ARTEP is "the one time during the year when we get to do our primary jobs—combat engineers."



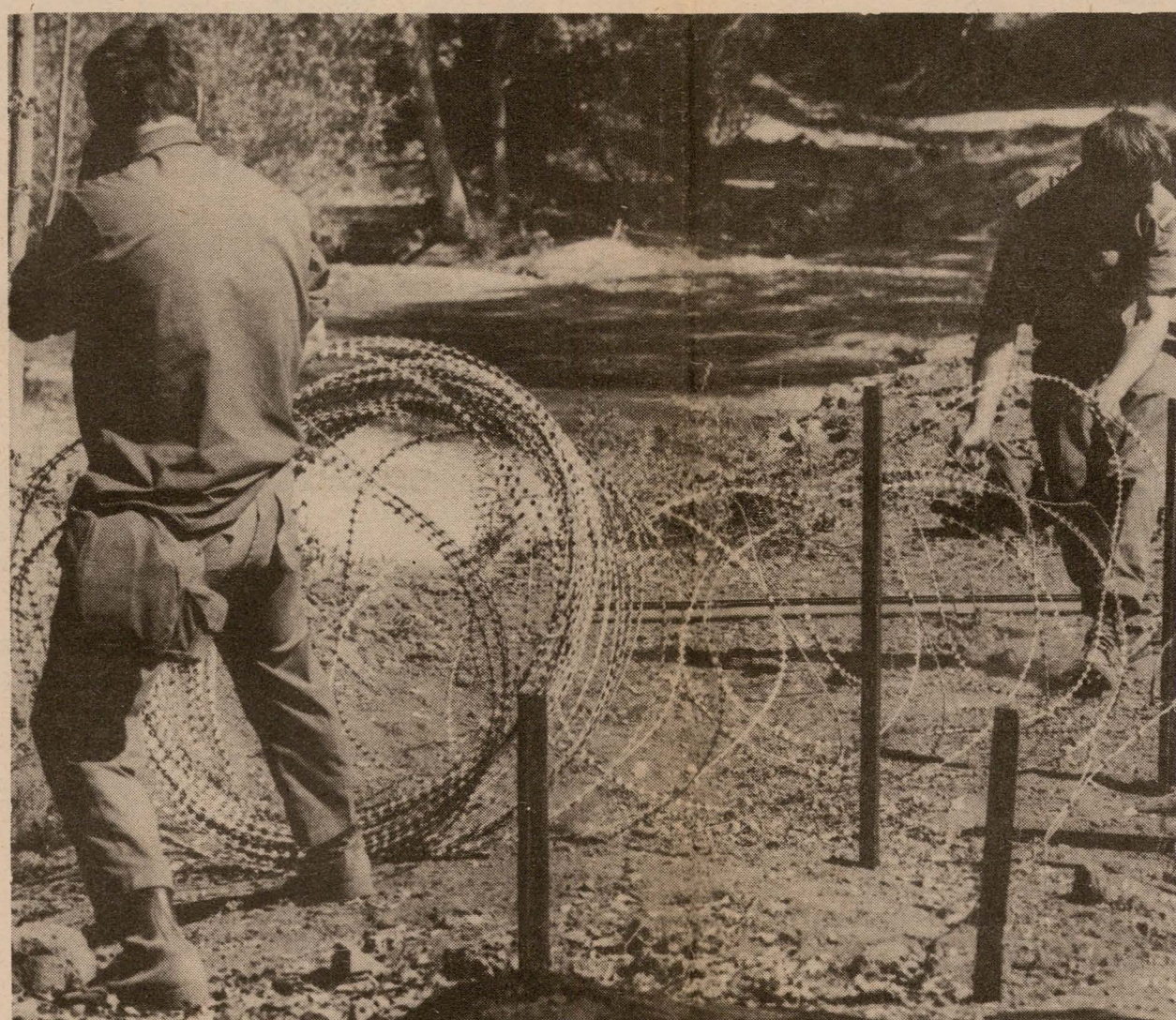
These MP's decided to make a big splash during the combined ARTEP and field training exercise at Hunter-Liggett field.



Sgt. Jonathon Reed (I.) and PFC Robert Hughes of the 170th MP Company tough it out during guard duty.



Blank cartridges feed into an M60 machinegun.



A couple of engineers string concertina wire.



Sp4 Jack Bonner of the 864th Engineers mans an M60 machinegun during the ARTEP.

Time to spare

Presidians 'take a hike' in Yosemite

Story and Photos by Debbie Schoettlin

A group of 16 hikers from the Presidio challenged the trails in Yosemite National Park during a recent weekend backpacking trip sponsored by the post's Outdoor Recreation Center.

The hikers left the Presidio and arrived at the park's Glacier Point late on a Friday evening. After pitching tents, the backpackers indulged in a little campfire camaraderie.

After breakfast the next day, two park guides took the group on a hilly six and a half mile trek from Glacier Point to Little Yosemite Valley, their next campsite.

Reaching the valley campsite on Saturday afternoon, the hikers once again pitched their tents and set about enjoying themselves.

An optional trip was offered to the hikers Sunday morning. One of the guides took several members of the group on a three mile hike to Half Dome and back.

Sunday afternoon the backpackers struck camp and headed home along a six mile downhill trail.

The Presidio's Outdoor Recreation Center had provided the participants with transportation, equipment and guides for a cost of \$20 per person. Food costs were divided among the group.



A hiking we will go. . . .

With the October Recreation Center supplying the equipment and guides, all hikers had to do was supply the foot power. After arriving at Yosemite

National Park late Friday night, the 16 Presidians pitched tents and indulged in a little campfire camaraderie before hitting the trail Saturday



Time for a snooze

A weary Mark Schoettlin takes a break during a recent backpacking trip to Yosemite National Park sponsored by the Outdoor Recreation Center. The Center provided the hikers with transpor-

tion, equipment and guides for a cost of \$20 per person. The hikers visited Glacier Point and Little Yosemite Valley with an option to hike up the park's Half Dome.



A swimming idea

This hiker takes advantage of the cooling waters of one of the streams in Yosemite National Park.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Oct. 9	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 11	The Bugs Bunny/Runner Movie (G)	2 & 7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Used Cars (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	Used Cars (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	Roller Boogie (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 15	The Visitor (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 16	Saturn III (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	2 & 7 p.m.

Oct. 19 Blues Brothers (R) 7 p.m.

LAMC's Schwartz Theater

Oct. 9	Don't Answer the Phone (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 15	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 16	The Legacy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.

The Mountain Men, which shows at the Presidio Theater tonight and tomorrow and at the Schwartz on Oct. 13 and 17, is a tribute to the trappers who were the first heroes of the American west.

Charlton Heston and Brian Keith star as the last of a rugged breed in the early days of the great northwest fighting the elements, predators and the encroaching threat of civilization. The Mountain Men deals with the hard, lusty life, the way it really was.

Sports

Aquarians bring home honors

Members of the Aquarius Swim Club participated in two recent meets and brought home a number of honors.

A group of new team members participated in the Indian Valley Collge meet in Novato. Included among the placers were:

6-year-old and under—**Jennifer Askew**, first place 25-yard freestyle; **Amy Perez**, third place, 25-yard freestyle.

8-year-old and under—**Jennifer Bhalla**, first, 25-yard backstroke, second, 25-yard freestyle; **Jennifer Askew**, second, 25-yard backstroke; **Judy McConnell**, fifth, 25-yard backstroke; **Michael Szurek**, second, 25-yard freestyle.

10-year-old and under—**Scott Szurek**, first, 50-yard freestyle, second, 50-yard breaststroke; **Kevin Gross**, second, 50-yard backstroke, third, 50-yard freestyle; **Scott Langley**, fifth, 50-yard freestyle.

11 and 12 year-old—**Stuart Bothwell**, second, 50-yard backstroke, third, 50-yard freestyle.

The Aquarius swimmers also participated with 19 other area teams in the 1980 Sonoma Invitational Swim Meet. Presidians placing their included:

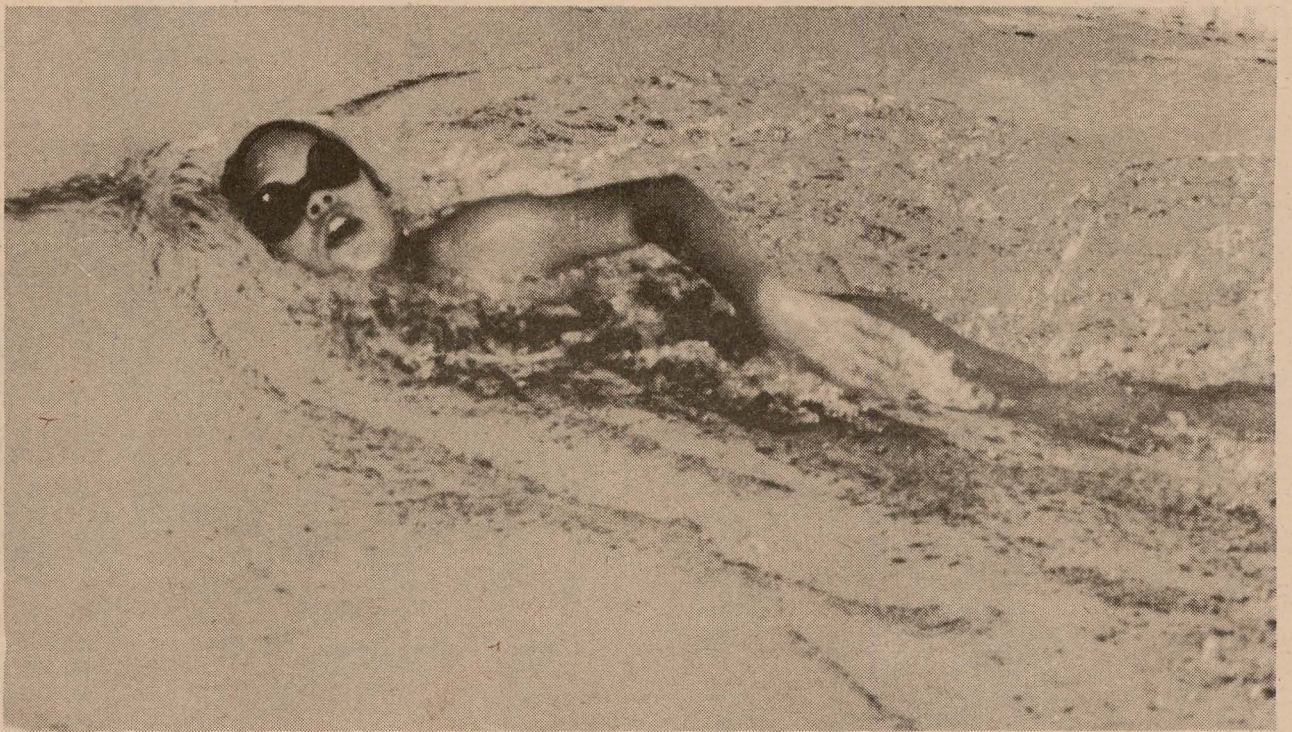
8-year-old and under—**Wendy Siefert**, second, 25-yard backstroke, fourth, 25-yard breaststroke, fifth, 100-yard individual medley, eighth, 25-yard butterfly.

10-year-old and under—**Lisa Bell**, fifth, 100-yard freestyle, seventh, 50-yard butterfly, eighth, 50-yard breaststroke, freestyle and 100-yard individual medley; **Kassie Humphrey**, eighth, 50-yard backstroke.

11 and 12-year-old—**Polly Slisz**, first, 50-yard butterfly, backstroke and 200-yard individual medley, second 50-yard freestyle, fourth, 50-yard breaststroke; **LeAnn Langeliers**, fourth, 50 and 100-yard freestyle, sixth, 50-yard butterfly, **Bill Rainaldo**, second, 50-yard backstroke, fourth, 50-yard butterfly.

13 and 14-year-old—**Blanca Castillo**, first, 100-yard butterfly, third, 100-yard backstroke, fifth, 100-yard freestyle; **Melva George**, second, 100-yard breaststroke, **Donna Hibbs**, sixth, 100-yard breaststroke, and seventh, 200-yard individual medley.

15 to 18-year-old—**Victor Castillo**, first, 100-yard butterfly and freestyle, second, 100-yard breaststroke and back-



A winning stroke

Polly Slisz shows her freestyle form. Slisz and other members of the Auqarius Swim Club brought home a number of honors from recent

stroke and 200-yard individual medley; **Lisa Guinn**, first, 100-yard butterfly, second, 100-yard backstroke and 200-yard individual medley, fourth, 100-yard breaststroke; **Meg Halsey**, third, 100-yard backstroke, fourth, 100-yard butterfly; **Paul Haas**, third, 100-yard breaststroke, fourth, 100-

area swim meets. The team will compete in Benicia this weekend. (Star Presidian file photo)

yard freestyle, backstroke and butterfly and 200-yard individual medley.

The Aquarius swim team travels to Benicia Saturday and Sunday to compete in their next meet.

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian once again presents its very own "peerless pigskin prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak, an his picks of the week.

Jimmy had a little trouble again last week and picked only eight winners of the 14 games.

When we asked Jimmy what the problem was, he only noted that his 38-18 overall record is still much better than "that other Jimmy."

This week, Jimmy's picks include:

Baltimore 27, Buffalo 21
(UPSET OF THE WEEK)

Bert Jones may be the best quarterback in football at this time. Odds are against the Bills staying undefeated much longer.

Dallas 24, San Francisco 13

I'm afraid it's going to be "wait until next year" for the 49ers.

San Diego 30, Oakland 17

The Raiders may not have enough healthy players to field a full team.

Pittsburgh 38, Cincinnati 13

This is the blow-out of the week. The Steelers will not lose twice to the same team in one year.

Philadelphia 27, New York Giants 10

The Giants could make a mole hill out of a mountain.

Tampa Bay 16, Green Bay 10
Dullest game of the week.

New England 28, Miami 16

Miami is always tough against the Patriots—but not quite tough enough this year.

Chicago 20, Minnesota 17

Zzzzz—huh??!! Sorry... this game lulled me to sleep.

Los Angeles 31, St. Louis 27

Look for a lot of points in this game.

Cleveland 27, Seattle 17

Seattle is near the bottom in defense statistics. Look for Sipe to have a big day.

Houston 35, Kansas City 10

The Oilers hit a dry well last week, but Earl Campbell and company should go beserk this week.

Detroit 24, New Orleans 13

After five weeks of picking New Orleans, even I got the message. The Saints need a exorcist.

Atlanta 24, New York Jets 20

The Jets can not seem to get off the ground.

Denver 17, Washington 10

Even Howard couldn't make this game exciting.

Engineers blast OAB, 19-16

The Corps of Engineers blasted Oakland Army Base 19-16 behind the passing and running of Engineer quarterback **Steve Nordstrom** in last week's flag football action.

The Corps capped a 35-yard scoring drive with a three-yard pass from Nordstrom to **Tim Muhaney** to jump out to an early 6-0 lead.

OARB retaliated with less than two minutes remaining in the first half, by scoring on a dazzling 52-yard pitch out play to **Reggie Lindsey** for a monetary 8-6 lead.

The lead quickly vanished with little less than a minutes remaining when the Corps marched down the field, scoring on a six-yard run by Nordstrom and taking back the lead 13-8.

In the second half, both teams fought to a standstill, until Nordstrom connected with receiver **Mark Prescott** for the winning touchdown.

The final score came from a great defensive effort by OARB's **Donnie Black**, who stole the ball from a Corps player and ran for a 44-yard touchdown, to make the final score, 19-16.

In other games:

The 666 Radar Squadron, which boasts the finest running game in the league, got past the surprisingly tough Four Seasons, 22-13.

In a tremendous defensive battle, LAMC No. 1 squeaked past USACC, 12-8.

USACC held their opponents scoreless in the first half and generated it first and only score of the game with less than two minutes left in the first half, on an 11-yard pass from **Keith Jackson** to **Jesup Ramos**.

In the second half, USACC tried to preseve its 8-0 lead, only to watch LAMC's **Eric Randolph** and company score on a seven-yard pass to **Duane Gibson** and 18-yard score to **Duane Taylor**.

The 548/87th Ordnance outgunned Oakland 31-22.

The score bandied back and forth throughout much of the game, which featured a 55-yard interception return by OARB's **Mike Hallet**.

Presidio News Notes

Golf tourney planned

The second annual Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Nov. 7, according to Dick Blake, tournament chairman.

"Last year, we raised more than \$1100 in our first try," he added. "This year, we're hoping to raise almost \$1500."

"Entry fee for the tournament will be \$20 this year. The Golf Committee has waived greens fees for non-members again this year so that all the monies collected will go towards the prize fund or directly to CFC."

The tournament will have a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. at the Presidio Golf Course. Close to 100 players are expected.

"We've changed the tournament format slightly this year," continued Blake. "Last year, scoring was done totally on the Calloway system. This year, Calloway will be used only for those players who do not have an established Northern California Golf Association handicap."

Gift certificates will be awarded for both low net and low gross scores, as well as "closest to the pin" competitions on selected par three holes. Specific prizes will be announced at a later date.

Golfers interested in playing in the CFC tournament may sign up now at the Presidio Army Golf Course office or at the Presidio Golf Club pro shop.

Runners to cross post

Approximately 600 runners are expected for the first Columbus Day Run on Sunday from 7:30 to 9 a.m.

The runners will start at the post's main parking lot, cross the Golden Gate Bridge and finish at the Fort Baker parade ground parking lot.

Art auction set

The Letterman Women's Club will hold an art auction at the Presidio Officers' Club Oct. 17.

Display of the art begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by the auction at 8 p.m.

For sale will be reprints of works by Miro, Picasso, Chagall, Dali and many new artists in a variety of media.

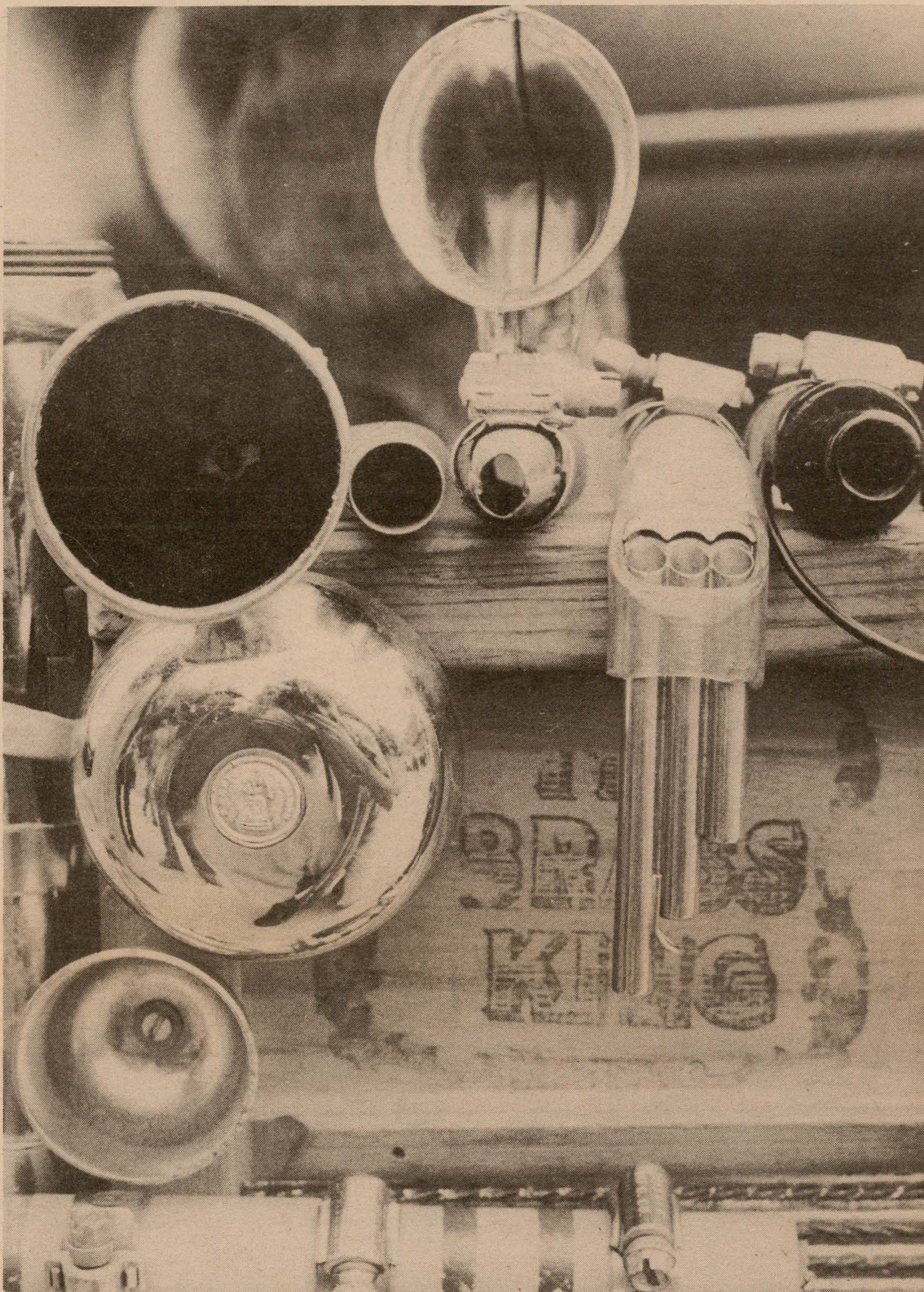
Welcome coffee announced

The Enlisted Men's Wives' Club will host a welcome coffee at the NCO Club on Oct. 17 from 10 a.m. to noon.

For more information contact Charlene Bell at 561-6170.

Volunteers needed

The American Red Cross at Letterman needs volunteers to work in clinics, the library, information desk and other areas. If interested please call Kay Smith at 561-2187.



It's a whatchamacallit

Sp5 Ken Juber of the Post Photo Lab took this close up view of a one man band's tools of the trade. Juber's entry was judged photo of the

week. If you have a photograph which you think deserves that honor, drop it by our newsroom in room 216, building 37.

Muni schedule, route changes explained

Recent changes in the Muni bus schedules and routes will have little effect upon Presidio users of the system.

According to a Muni spokesman, the major changes affecting the post was the increased frequency in the operation of the 43-Masonic route.

The bus makes its first stop on Presidio at 5:39 a.m. with stops at 5:59 and 6:16 a.m. But beginning at 7 a.m., the bus runs approximately every 10 minutes.

The 43 route covers the Marina, inner Richmond, Haight, Inner Sunset, Mt. Davidson, Miraloma and Sunnyside neighborhoods. Key stops along the way include the University of San Francisco, the U.C. Medical Center, Laguna Honda Hospital, the Forest Hill Bart Station, and the City College of San Francisco. The line turns around at Geneva and Mission and Chestnut and Broderick.

Another route which serves the Presidio is the 45 which goes into downtown San Francisco. Its first stop is at 5:35 a.m. at the bus stop across from Letterman Army Medical Center. It runs about every 20 minutes until 7 a.m. when it stops on post every six to ten minutes.

The 28 bus which runs along Crissy Field and Lincoln Blvd. makes its first stop at LAMC at 6:37 a.m. with a second stop at 6:50 a.m. After 7 a.m., it also runs every 10 minutes.

According to Mr. Bob Mahoney, chief of public information for the post, the Public Affairs Office is attempting to get maps and schedules from Muni to be distributed around post.

In the meantime, potential riders can call 673-6864 for route and schedule information.

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Called in from training

Presidio EOD unit helps out in Cotati

Members of the 87th Explosive Ordnance Detachment turned routine training into the "real McCoy" last week when they were called upon to assist local police officials during the suicide bombing in Cotati.

A man there had exploded a bomb in his car taking his life and the life of his young daughter.

Members of the 87th were training at Fort Baker for ARTEP testing when the call came for them to send explosive experts to the scene.

The call after the police discovered that the man had been a "powder monkey" or explosives expert himself. They feared that he had set other bombs in the area.

1st Lt. William Taliaferro, commander of the 87th, and two NCO's were dispatched to the scene. After they arrived in Cotati, they requested additional support and the entire 87th was sent.

According to Capt. John Zodrow of the 548th Ordnance Detachment, the 87th was selected for the job because of their area of responsibility includes the most of Northern California.

Dodrow says that quite often Army EOD units are called upon to assist local law enforcement agencies such as the one Cotati which do not have the capability for bomb disposal.

Members of the 87th were asked to sweep several areas of Cotati and nearby Santa Rosa. Experts from the 87th investigated the possibilities that the man had booby-trapped his truck and trailer.

Additionally, the 87th was called upon to clear a self storage area that the man had rented in nearby Santa Rosa. Although they found several cases marked as explosives, says Zodrow, no additional bombs were found.

A number of explosive-related devices such as blasting machines and a host of explosive manuals were discovered though, says Zodrow.

The 87th is one of six EOD units under the control of the 548th Ordnance Detachment. The units are responsible for bomb disposal throughout the Western states.

According to Zodrow, duties vary between units, but many have the mission of providing assistance to local law enforcement agencies.

He says that the 87th was called upon to respond to 159 incidents last year. Roughly 95 percent of those were civilian cases.

Describing the 55D MOS as one of the toughest in any of the armed forces, Zodrow says that training for explosive ordnance experts is rigorous.

Zodrow explains that before being sent to the training, individuals are evaluated by active Army EOD units for a 90 day period.

If the individuals demonstrate the "drive," says Zodrow, they are sent to Redstone Arsenal in Alabama for an initial two week's of training.

Following the initial schooling, prospective explosive ordnance experts are sent on to a joint service school at the Naval Ordnance Station at Indianhead, Md. The six-week regimen there, says Zodrow, familiarizes them with all types of explosives, their chemical makeup and techniques for bomb disposal.

In addition to responding to calls for assistance from local police, Zodrow says the EOD units are often called upon to assist the Secret Service in protecting VIPs. Presently, more than 50 members of the 548th's units are on the road protecting political candidates and their families, he says.

The units also spend much of their time, says Zodrow, teaching police bomb identification techniques to assist them in their law enforcement work.



Blowing his own horn

SFC Richard Nanjouk of the Sixth Army Band "blows his own horn" during the CFC kick

off Tuesday. Nanjouk and six others toured the post on the back of a truck. For related story see page 3.

SF Supervisor to speak during celebration

San Francisco Supervisor Louise Renne will be the guest speaker during opening ceremonies for All-American Week on Oct. 28.

The ceremony which will begin at 11 a.m. in the large parking lot on Montgomery Street.

All-American Week will be observed Oct. 28 through Nov. 1 and will feature musical groups, martial arts demonstration, dancing displays and food booths.

Slated to perform during the first day's events is Turk Murphy and his band. Also on hand will be KNBR radio personalities Frank Dill and Carter B. Smith.

According to project officer Capt. Ron Seikel, All-American Week is designed to recognize the contributions of all ethnic groups to American culture.

Activities will begin daily around 11 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m., although a 50's sock hop will be held on the Oct. 28 at the NCO/Enlisted Club, followed by an International Disco on Oct. 31. Both events begin at 7:30 p.m.

Lunch only at USAG Dining Facility beginning Monday

Starting Monday, Presidio soldiers will no longer be able to eat breakfast or dinner meals at the USAG dining facility.

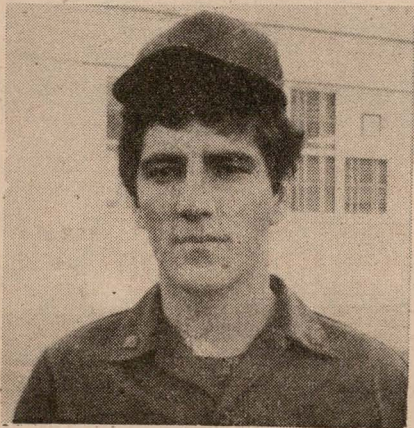
According to SFC Howard Berry, food service advisor, the dining facility will be open only for short order items at lunchtime from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the week. The facility will not be open during the weekends.

Berry says that the number of people eating at the facility since USAG moved to Fort Scott has declined. He says that USAG soldiers will now have to eat their morning and evening meals at the Fort Scott dining facilities.

Opinion

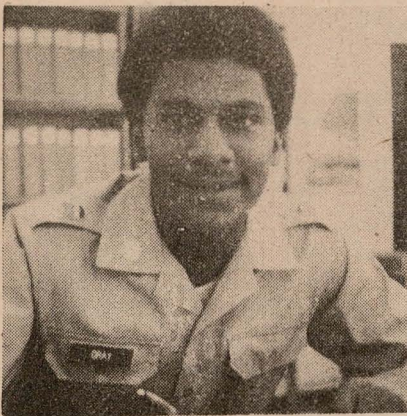
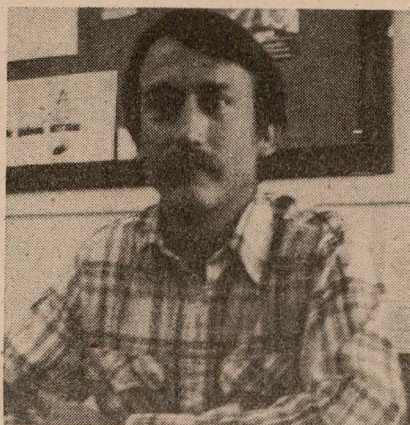
Ramblin' Sam

Who will win the World Series?



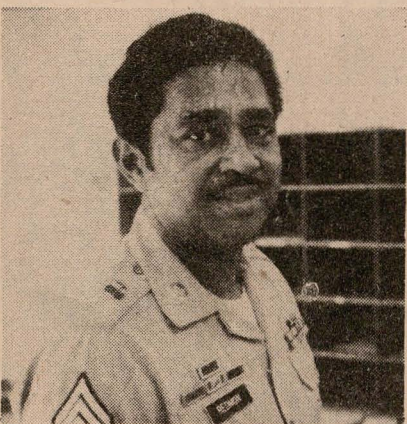
Sp4 Jon Herring, USACC—"Philadelphia. I've only seen one major league game and it was with Philadelphia so I'll pick them to win."

John Sergeant, CPO—"I don't really follow baseball, so I don't care."

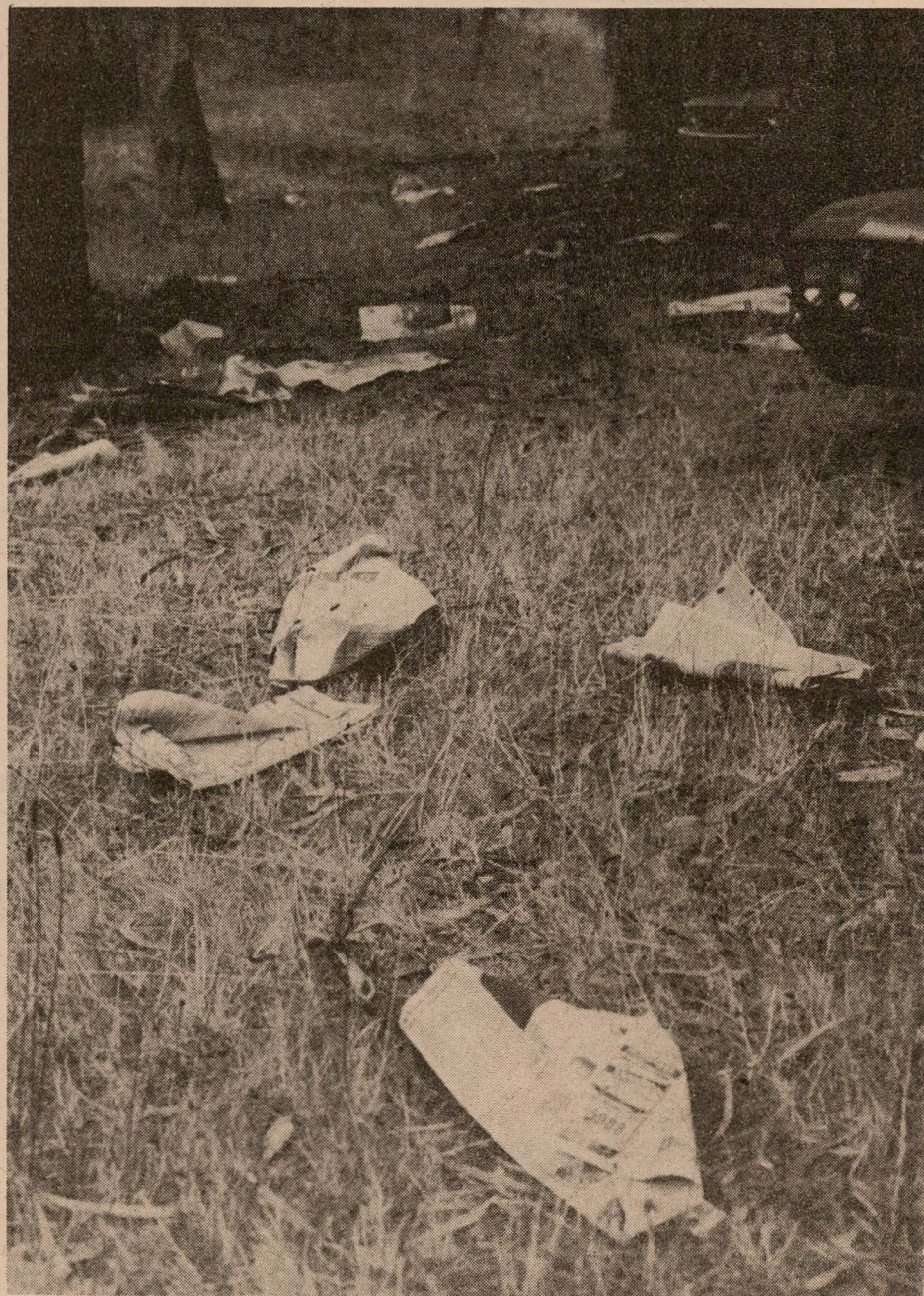


Pvt. Marshall Oray, COMPACT—"Philadelphia. They've been there before and can deal with the pressure. They're a more balanced team. They may be old, but they should still win."

Denise Washington, CPO—"Philadelphia because they are a superior team."



MSgt. Joel Redmon, COMPACT—"I like the Phillies. I think Kansas City is overrated because of George Brett. I think the Phillies have the edge."



Dump of the week

This week's "Dump of the Week" is an area between the post gym and the telephone exchange.

Trash in your future?

This week the Star Presidian is not happy to bring you our newest feature, "The Dump of the Week."

The reason we are not happy is because we find it necessary to resort to this tactic in order to try to get people to clean up the post.

It is a shame that people living on the world's most beautiful military installation take little or no pride in the office area, their quarters, or other parts of the post.

Too many of us would rather walk past a piece of paper or a can before we'd bend over to pick it up. Some others would just as soon add to the growing piles of trash by throwing stuff out their car windows or just

dropping it where ever they happen to be walking.

Twice a year the post holds a clean-up week. It seems that last time not too many people paid any attention. Nor have they seemed to heed repeated warnings from the housing office to clean up their quarters areas.

So far the next several weeks we'll be running photos of dumpy sites around post. And from time to time after clean-up week, we'll be doing the same.

You never know what area our cameras will catch next, so if you see trash laying around, pick it up.

Tom Tiernan

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Briefly

Clothing allowance up

Clothing allowance rates for Presidio soldiers will go up this month, according to officials at the U. S. Army Finance and Accounting Center (USAFAC), Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Basic rates for enlisted soldiers in their sixth month to third year of service, and standard rates for those over three years service will show up in the October end-of-month checks, say officials.

The clothing maintenance allowance (CMA) is paid to soldiers to help replace clothing issued during initial entry training. Although the CMA may not meet all of the clothing needs of enlisted soldiers, USAFAC officials say the Army considers it fair and equitable.

The new rates are:

	Old	New
Male Basic	\$5.70	\$7.20
Male Standard	8.10	10.20
Female Basic	7.80	8.70
Female Standard	11.10	12.60

Mileage rates up

Presidio soldiers moving on permanent change of station (PCS) orders will now collect mileage reimbursement at a higher rate.

The new rate, which went into effect Oct. 1, is 18.5 cents per mile, according to officials.

The old rate was 10 cents per mile.

The reimbursement rates for family members of soldiers remained the same at 7 cents per mile for adult dependents (12 and over) and 3.5 cents for dependents age 2-11.

Promos announced

The following are planned promotions by grade for November.

Grade	Promotions on Oct. 1, 1980	Promotions on Nov. 1, 1980
O6	55	57
O5	146	164
O4	337	225
O3	613	140
W4	25	28
W3	60	63
E9	73	67
E8	141	376
E7	529	1064
E6	1278	2390
E5	4184	4601

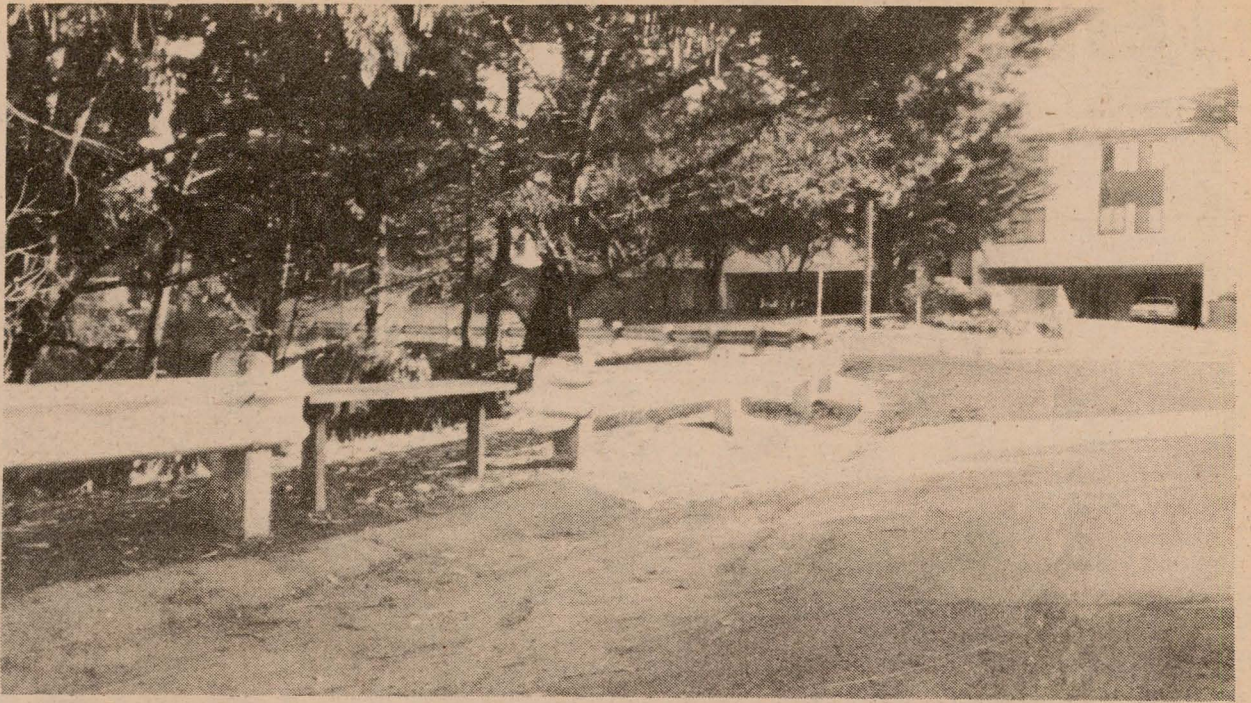
The new promotions lists to O-6 and O-5 were confirmed in mid-September by the Senate.

Promotions to O-3 for OC to REP and November will be from the new list scheduled for release early this month.

Reclass rules altered

Some senior NCOs with permanent limiting physical profiles may now have their MOS reclassified by an overseas MACOM commanders and division/installation commanders in CONUS according to a recent release from MILPERCEN.

Soldiers in grades E-6, E-7, and those E-8 not on the promotion list may have their MOS reclassified at the lower level only if going into a shortage or balanced MOS. Soldiers in E-9 and those E-8s who are on the E-9 promotion list and all soldiers with controlled MOS listed in paragraph 2-18E of AR 600-200 will continue to be reclassified at MILPERCEN.



Bowles bus stop site of assault

The bus stop on Lincoln Boulevard and Bowles Street was the scene of an "indecent assault" last week as a Presidio woman was grabbed from behind while waiting for a bus to take her to work. The Presidio Provost Marshal's office confirmed

the attack Tuesday. The woman's assailant is believed to be still at large. In an unrelated incident, the MP's received a report of a flasher in a post neighborhood. The PMO declined to comment on both incidents.

Band gives fund drive a 'jazzy' start kick-off

A dixieland band toured post Tuesday as the Combined Federal Campaign kicked off this year's fund drive here.

The seven-piece band rode through the post on the back of a flatbed truck stopping at several locations to play.

According to Maj. Jerry Connors, the post coordinator for the drive, the 1980 campaign marks a test involving earmarking of donations.

For the first time, says Connors, individuals can select one organization to have their contributions go to. In the past, contributors could select a specific organization, Connors explains, but if the goal for that organization had already been met, additional contributions were returned

to the CFC to be divided among participating organizations.

The change is being made this year as a test to see if earmarked donations spur more contributions, Connors says.

Connors says that Presidio contributors can now ensure that their donations return to this area by earmarking their donations for such things as the San Francisco Boy Scouts.

The CFC, the only authorized fund drive on government installations, solicits donations for more than 278 charities. For each dollar donated, says Connors, 97¢ is sent to the organizations.

Connors says that the majority of collections are going to be made during the next two weeks. The fund drive here does not officially end until Nov. 24.

AWOL soldiers returned

MPs running escort service

When one thinks of military policemen, one may imagine the white-hatted soldier directing traffic or a cruiser patrolling the neighborhood.

In addition to those duties, however, several members of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office are running an "escort service."

Their clients numbered 370 last year and came from all over the country. The one thing that they all had in common was their status-absent without leave (AWOL).

According to Cpl. Joe Morrison, the Presidio AWOL escort teams average 42 customers a month. Normally, the AWOL soldiers are picked up by civilian authorities after such things as

routine traffic violations, he says. When the police run a check on the driver, they discover that the man is AWOL and hold him for the military police to escort him back to his unit.

Morrison says that the Presidio teams covered nearly 4,000 miles last year performing their duties. That figure, he says, does not include the number of miles the MP's must fly on occasion to return the AWOL soldiers.

Most of the soldiers, says Morrison, explain their AWOL status as a personality conflict with their commanders or first sergeants. But a few, he says, claim that their units suggested that they go AWOL in an effort to get out of the Army.

Presidio soldier commits suicide

by Tom Tiernan

A Presidio soldier, absent without leave for more than a week, took his life last Wednesday in San Diego.

According to the deputy San Diego coroner, Sp4 Barry Caldwell jumped from the balcony of his ninth floor hotel room around 8:30 a.m. Authorities investigating the incident found two suicide notes which indicated that Caldwell was unhappy with Army life and didn't wish to remain in the service any longer. They also found four empty sleeping pill bottles.

Caldwell, assigned to HQ Co. USAG, was described by co-workers in the records section of COMPACT as a "good soldier" who was generally quiet on the job. Said one soldier, "He was always willing to talk to anyone but no one here had any idea something was wrong. His death took us all by surprise."

A HQ Co. USAG spokesman said Caldwell had been AWOL since Oct. 2.

Caldwell is survived by his wife, Linda, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell of Jacksonville, Fla.



Barracks dump site

Areas such as this by the LAMC Women's barracks will be receiving some special attention during the post-wide clean up. The drive set for

Nov. 3-7 is being aimed at office areas as well as post housing. The Star Presidian will be publishing additional photos in the coming weeks.

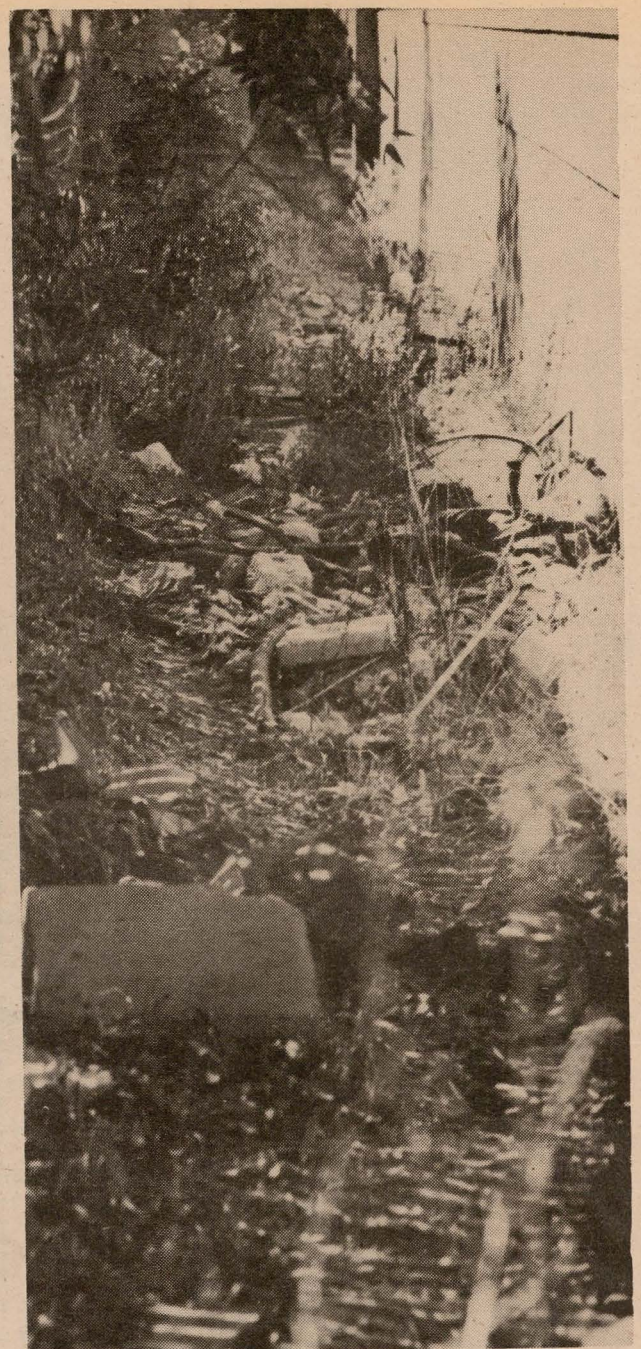
Clean-up campaign set

The Fall Clean-up Campaign for the Presidio will be held from Nov. 3-7, according to post officials.

Many areas of the post have been neglected in the recent past. (The Star Presidian will publish a series of photographs showing these neglected areas.) These areas will receive great emphasis during the campaign.

The entire Presidio will be subject to clean-up efforts. This includes the main post as well as Forts Barry, Baker and Chronkhite.

Various units, including tenant units, have been tasked to clean-up various areas of the post. Occupants of family housing units should clean-up; around their quarters area as part of the consolidated clean-up effort.



Pershing Park dump

Scenes such as this from Pershing Park may be a thing of the past after the post's fall clean-up Nov. 3-7. (Photo by Harvey Kinoshita)

Authorization bill signed

Bill brings new CHAMPUS care

Department of Defense officials announced that the 1981 DoD Authorization Act, signed by the President on Sept. 9, provides for improved CHAMPUS benefits for eligible dependents of active duty service members.

The Act authorizes CHAMPUS to share the cost of "well baby care"—routine physical examinations and immunizations—for children of active duty service members, up to two years of age.

Since well baby care involves outpatient services, any active duty family may elect to go to a civilian physician to obtain such care for their

child, whether or not they reside close to a military facility.

In addition to the newborn examination, PKU test and newborn circumcision, which are now covered under CHAMPUS, the well baby care benefits will cover the following services rendered by the attending pediatrician or family physician to a child up to two years of age:

- History, physical examination, discussion and counseling.
- Vision, hearing and dental screening, developmental appraisal.

- Immunizations (i.e., DPT, polio, measles, mumps, Rubella).

- Tuberculin Test, Hematocrit or Hemoglobin, Urinalysis.

Well Baby Care was previously specifically excluded by statute for all categories of beneficiaries. It continues to be excluded under CHAMPUS except for children of active duty members, up to two (2) years of age.

As an outpatient service, well baby care is subject to the annual fiscal year CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's 20 percent cost sharing.

Self help store can aid soldiers clean-up, fix-up

In addition to a post-wide clean up effort, Presidio officials will be placing increasing emphasis on "do-it-yourself" repairs in the near future.

For Presidio soldiers, that means that the self help store in building 250 near the commissary is going to become a familiar place.

In the past, the store has served as the source for a number of repair items for post quarters residents. But according to one post official, the self help store is now going to serve as the focal point for repairs for barracks and office spaces as well.

"We simply do not have enough engineers to do the job," is how the situation was described.

According to Walter Graff, who runs the store, his section normally sees 20 customers a day. Graff says that most people are stopping by to get simple repair items for their quarters, such as replacement parts for faucets or toilets or such things as lawn supplies.

The soldiers who do come in for repair

parts or lawn supplies, says Graff, are normally receiving one of a kind issue items. If people begin using the selfhelp for barracks and office spaces, he says, they may have to send a written request down to his office to ensure that the items are on hand for their use.

"With barracks and offices," says Graff, "You're talking about 10 or 20 items at a time and we may not have them in stock."

Part of the Self Help operation includes a screen repair shop, but Graff says that that has been closed due to lack of funds. He is presently waiting for the family housing office to channel money to the shop so that quarters residents can once again get them repaired there.

"We figure a budget of \$5 per each set of quarters," explains Graff. "Every year towards the end of the fiscal year we run out of money. It's normal."

The self help store is open for business at its Crissy Field location from 12:15 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Band members warm up before a concert in Valdez, Alaska.

Tired band comes home to warm-up after nine days way up in the cold north

Photos by Liz Greeley

The Sixth Army Band recently returned from an "exhausting nine-day tour of Alaska."

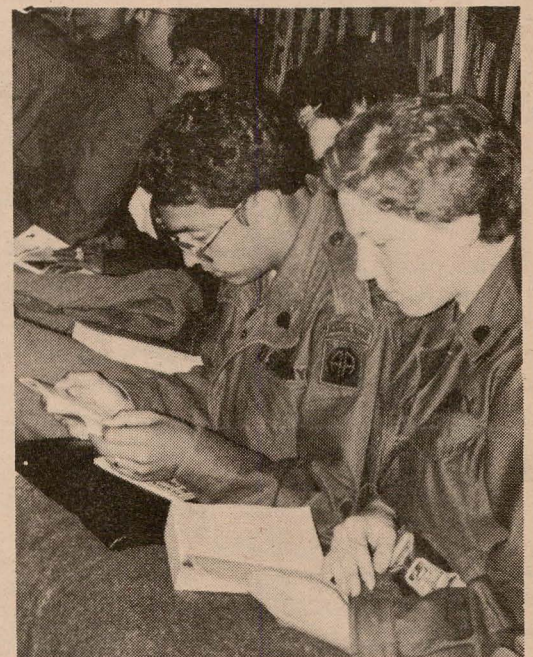
The band made six concert stops on their trip, according to Liz Greeley of the Sixth Army Public Affairs Office who accompanied the band on the trip. She notes that in some of the stops, the band played more than one concert.

The band left the Presidio Sept. 19 for their tour which was described by Greeley as a "total Army" effort and included not only regular members of the band, but several musicians from the

91st Division Band. In Alaska, the band members were joined at various times by members of the Air National Guard as well as several high school and local musicians.

"The crowds were very enthusiastic," says Ms. Greeley, "and very warm."

She says that on one of their stops, Nome, the band played three separate concerts. By the evening's performance, she says, so many people had come to the armory to hear the band, that cots which the band members had been sleeping on, were pulled out for use as seating for the overflow crowd.



Band members pass time reading on the flight.



The tour was a debut for band master CWO2 John Dunlap.



Sp4 Bob Flanagan does an encore for two concert goers.

Time to spare

Presidio Playhouse production continues, Fort Point celebrates anniversary tomorrow

"The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail" continues at the Presidio Playhouse tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. The play runs through the Oct. 25. Admission is \$3 with active duty, retired and reserve personnel and their dependents receiving a \$1 discount.

Tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. Fort Point celebrates its 10th anniversary as part of National Park System. A performance by members of the Sixth Army Band and a gun salute are part of the ceremonies.

A pumpkin festival is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday in Half Moon Bay from 10 to 5 p.m. The festival features arts and crafts, pie eating and pumpkin carving contest, music, puppet shows, games and food. Admission is free.

The International Race and Experimental Car Show takes place starts this weekend at the San Mateo County Fairgrounds. The show includes displays of past and present race cars, kit cars, midget and go-kart races, and land sailing exhibitions. For more information, call 593-4326.

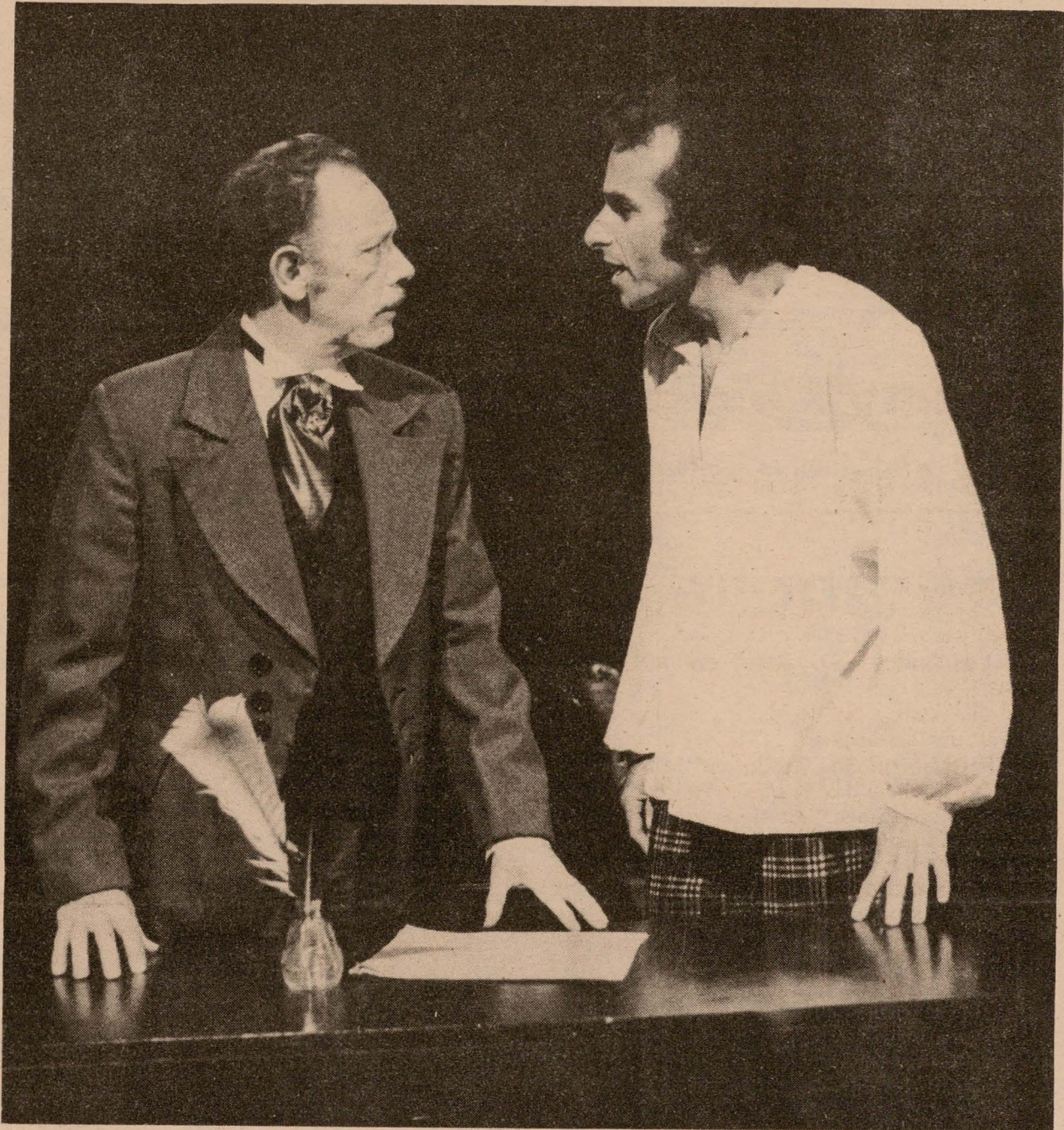
The San Francisco Film Festival continues through Sunday with showing nightly at the Palace of Fine Arts and the Castro Theatre. For a full schedule of films and ticket prices call 221-9055.

Tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday, a New Earth Exposition will be held at the Fort Mason Center. The exposition explores alternate energy and transportation, natural foods and health, ecology and the environment and wilderness skills. The show is open from noon to 9 p.m. tomorrow, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Tryouts will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday for the next Presidio Playhouse production, "The Apple Tree," a musical by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick.

"The Apple Tree" consists of three one-act musicals, "The Diary of Adam and Eve," "The Lady Or The Tiger," and "Passionella." Tryouts are open to anyone interested and those wanting to audition should call 561-3992 for a specific appointment time between 6 and 11 p.m. on one of the above dates.

The Presidio Recreation Center is offering discounts for a variety of upcoming events. Half price tickets to Golden State Warriors games are available through a discount mail-in program. Discounts are also available for the Monterey Grand Prix Oct. 18 and 19 at the



Let me tell you a thing or two

Ralph White (l.) as Ralph Waldo Emerson and Rick Gluckstern as Henry David Thoreau appear in "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail." The play con-

tinues its run at the Presidio Playhouse tomorrow at 8 p.m. Additional performances are set for Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m.

Laguna Seca Raceway and for the Grand National Rodeo and Horse Show at the Cow Palace Oct. 25 and 27 and Nov. 1. For more information contact the rec center at 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

The Rec Center also has tickets to San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders home games. The tickets are \$5 and \$9 respectively.

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater		
Oct. 16	Saturn II (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	2 & 7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Blues Brothers (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	Blues Brothers (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	Blues Brothers (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 22	When You Comin' Back Red Ryder (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 23	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.
Letterman's Schwartz Theater		
Oct. 16	The Legacy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	The Mountain Men (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	Used Cars (R)	7 p.m.

Oct. 21	Used Cars (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 22	Roller Boogie (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 23	The Visitor (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 24	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Used Cars is a no-holds barred comedy about cut-throat sellers of what they term "pre-owned vehicles." Jack Warden is desperate to knock out the competition provided by the jalopy shop across the street, owned by his brother (Warden plays a dual role). When the jalopy shop owner dies, his partners disguises the fact so Warden won't collect on his inheritance and embark on a series of outrageous promotions. The flick can be seen at LAMC's Schwartz Theater.

Airline agrees to cut in fares

Presidio soldiers travelling on leave may be happy to hear the news from Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) officials who announced that Trans World Airlines is offering a 50 percent reduction in special furlough fares. The special rates are being offered on a trial basis between now and March 31, but will not be offered for Dec. 19, 20 or 24 or Jan. 3-5.

Personnel travelling on the reduced fares must hold valid green identification card and be on military leave or travelling within seven days of their discharge.

The officials stress that the rates are good only for soldiers on leave and cannot be used for those travelling on official business.

The TWA discounts followed negotiations between the MTMC and the air carrier. MTMC officials are still negotiating with other airlines to increase their present 25 percent discounts for furlough rates.

Sports

USAG bulldozes 864th Engineers 6-0

It was a "rock'em, sock'em" free-for-all last Monday night, with USAG emerging as the survivor over a hardnosed 864th Engineers, 6-0.

USAG scored the only points in the game on their first possession, when **Glen Turner** dodged and scampered for 19 yards into the end zone.

For the next 32 minutes of regulation time, both teams relied on tough defenses to pressure and contain each quarterback. **James Fabretti** of the 864th, intercepted a pass in his own end zone and returned the ball 80 yards before being called back on a clipping penalty.

USAG's **Cliff Miles** intercepted an 864th pass that stifled a last chance drive by the 864th late in the game.

In another rough game, which saw more flags than the fourth of July, the 666th Radar outlasted Oakland Army Base, 13-0.

Both teams, aggressive on defense, made it virtually impossible to establish any kind of consistency on offense, which resulted in numerous stalled drives and turnovers.

The difference in the game came behind an 8-yard interception return for the first touchdown by RADAR's **Dave Orvice** late in the second quarter.

A late fourth quarter 20-yard drive behind quarterback **Leroy Loves** made the final score, 13-0.

In a one-sided affair, the Corps of Engineers shell-shocked Public Health Service, 29-0.

The Corps was led by quarterback **Steve Nordstrom** who connected on two touchdown passes to **Mike Lebedeff** for seven and 24 yards. A 64-yard-dash was called back by an illegal block downfield.

The only threat from PHS came after mounting an impressive drive downfield, but fell short when the Corps' **Jack Raferty** intercepted a PHS pass on the 10 yard line.

Other action during the week saw the 170th MP CO defeat LAIR, 18-6.

Jimmy's picks of the week

Miami 27, Buffalo 20

The Dolphins will never go below .500 while Don Shula is the coach.

Los Angeles 20, San Francisco 16

The 49er's defense is too porous. Wait until next year.

Pittsburgh 34, Oakland 13

The Steelers will be mean after last week's loss. Chuck Noll will be feeding them raw meat and furniture for this game.

Minnesota 20, Cincinnati 13

UPSET OF THE WEEK

The Vikings are due for a good game and the Bengals will have a let-down after beating the Steelers.

Seattle 30, New York Jets 17

The Jets will revert to their slovenly play of previous weeks.

Cleveland 27, Green Bay 10

Ho Lum. There's some slack in the Pack.

Washington 17, St. Louis 14

When Congress took a recess, it appears as if the Redskins did too. The Cardinals are only a little more upset.

Baltimore 24, New England 20

Closest game of the week. The Colts get the nod only because they're playing at home. Crab soup over clam chowder this week, at least.

Houston 30, Tampa Bay 13

Ken Stabler (or Statler depending on who you are watching the game with) is due for a real big game.

San Diego 38, New York Giants 13

Runaway game of the week. The Giant's game plan should include punting on second downs—before the offense fumbles it away.

Detroit 21, Chicago 17

The Lion's are definitely the best team in their division, and should prove it against the Bears.

Atlanta 19, New Orleans 13

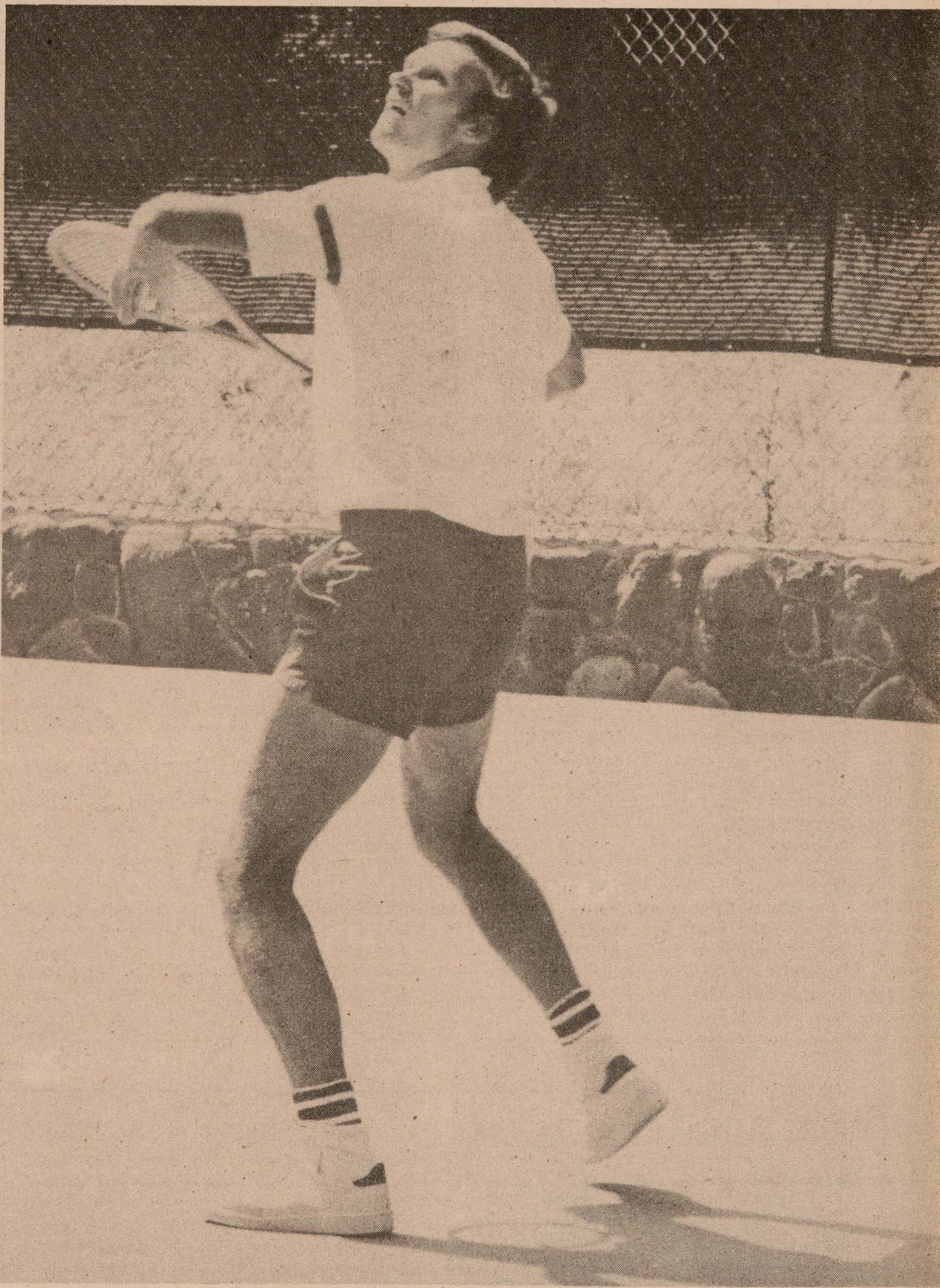
This can't be the "Battle of the South," since neither team has any ammunition.

Denver 27, Kansas City 17

It's nearly impossible to beat the Broncos to home. Kansas City just doesn't have enough offensive power.

Philadelphia 24, Dallas 23

Closest game of the week, part two. Only (and I emphasize only) because of the home field advantage. This game should be decided by a field goal, or less.



Winning form

Nick Lapins completed in the recent Interservice Tennis Championships as a member of the all-

Army team. Lapins lost in the junior-vets class to Ben Barns, the Air Force's top player.

Lapins finishes second in tourney

Two Letterman racketeers saw action in the recent Interservice Tennis Championships conducted at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

In the junior vets division, **Nick Lapins** lost in the finals to the Air Force's top player, Ben Barn, in three sets.

Lapins also played in the doubles match, losing to Barn's brother.

Gary Jones won his first round match in the open division but lost to last year's champion in the second round.

Jones was defeated later in the semifinals of the doubles play.

Overall, the Army tennis team took the Leach Cup in the championships.

Presidio News Notes

Racquetballers wanted

The Sports Branch is currently updating its challenge ladders in tennis, racquetball, handball and squash. The present order of positioning in each ladder is according to the latest tournament results. Players are positioned according to the order in which entries are received with new players entering the ladder by challenging and defeating the last place entry.

Wives coffee tomorrow

The Enlisted Men's Wives' Club will host a welcome coffee at the NCO Club on Oct. 17 from 10 a.m. to noon.

For more information contact Charlene Bell at 561-6170.

Art auction set

The Letterman Women's Club will hold an art auction at the Presidio Officers' Club Oct. 17.

Display of the art begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by the auction at 8 p.m.

For sale will be reprints of works by Miro, Picasso, Chagall, Dali and many new artists in a variety of media.

Volunteers needed

The American Red Cross at Letterman needs volunteers to work in clinics, the library, information desk and other areas. If interested please call Kay Smith at 561-2187.

Prizes announced

Prizes for the second annual Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament at the Presidio Golf Course on Nov. 7 have been announced by Dick Blake, tournament chairman.

"We have expanded the prize list this year to include the first six places in the low net category," Blake said. "Top prize will be a \$50 gift certificate for the low net. It will be followed by certificates in the amounts of \$30, \$25, \$20, \$15 and \$10."

Blake also announced that four places will be awarded gift certificates in the low gross competition. Top prize will be \$40 followed by \$30, \$25 and \$15.

As a bonus in the prize fund, two closest to the hole competitions will be conducted on holes No. 6 and No. 13, both par threes. Closest to the pin will take a gift certificate for \$20 on each hole. Runners will take certificates for \$10.

The Combined Federal Campaign tournament raised more than \$1100 for the CFC last year. Blake expects this year's total to reach close to \$1500.



Looking for a little birdie

SSgt. William Gibbs of the Presidio TMP won Photo of the Week honors with this shot of Gail

The tournament is open to all golfers. Scores will be determined through the use of established Northern California Golf Association handicap or the Calloway system for those who do not have an established handicap.

Entry fee for the tournament is \$20 with the proceeds going to CFC. Greens fees have been waived for non-members of the Presidio golf facilities.

Interested golfers may enter the tournament through anyone of the following: Lou Caviglia, Bldg. 38 (561-2027); Col. Dick Blake, Bldg. 39 (561-2272); Sgt. Dennis Smreck, Bldg. 35 (561-

German. If you have a photo you think deserves that title, drop it by our newsroom in building 37,

3729); Lt. Col. Charlie Katsuyoshi, LAMC (561-4143); Maj. Mike Todd, LAIR (561-4891); or Bob Mahoney, Bldg. 37 (561-5193).

CPR classes offered

The Red Cross will be conducting classes in cardiopulmonary resuscitation Oct. 22 and 24 from 8 a.m. to noon in building 97.

Interested Presidians should call 561-2187 to sign up for the class.

1981 cars may not be suitable for overseas use

Presidio soldiers expecting to ship new cars overseas and then return them to the U. S. are being warned by Army officials to check with their car dealers first.

Some vehicles are made with special equipment designed to meet the 1981 U. S. Federal Emissions Standards. They are meant to be used with unleaded gasoline only. Unleaded gasoline is not available through Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES) gas stations overseas, AAFES officials explain. If leaded gasoline is used, the vehicles may not run properly.

Vehicles affected are all 1981 General Motor cars and trucks; early 1981 Ford and Mercury models with the 2.3, and some 4.2 or 5.0 liter engines; the Lincoln with the 5.8 engine; and the Chrysler Imperial, says AAFES officials.

'Export' models sold for overseas delivery won't have an emission control system put

in. Since they do not meet the emission standards, they also will not be allowed to be shipped into the U. S.

Before buying a 1981 automobile, Presidio soldiers planning on going overseas should ask the dealer if the emission control system can be removed, say DA Logistic officials. If it can, they should also ask what the cost to replace it at a later date would be.

Cars not meeting the 1981 Federal Emissions Standards will have to be entered under bond upon return to the U. S., the DA officials say. The cars will be impounded by customs at the port of entry until they are brought up to standards.

Questions about the emissions systems on 1981 vehicles should be directed to car and truck manufacturers or their authorized sales representatives.

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May be in October checks

VHA levels announced for post

Department of the Army officials released the Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) indexes Monday and Presidio soldiers may be getting the additional allowance as early as next week.

The indexes are broken down into five groups based on rank and cover 324 different housing areas and 23 county cost groups.

For San Francisco the VHA indexes are:

Rank	VHA Index
E-1 to E-3	.50
E-4 to E-6	.35
E-7 to E-9	.50
O-1 to O-3 and W-1 to W-3	.30
O-4 to O-10 and W-4	.40

To determine the amount of VHA, a soldier can take his monthly basic allowance for quarters, multiply it by the appropriate index and add the result to his BAQ.

For example, an E-5 with dependents draws \$234.30 in BAQ. Multiplying that figure by the .35 index, the soldier's VHA would amount to \$82 a month for a total housing allowance of \$316.30.

The amounts of VHA vary from one housing area to another. The same E-5, for example, would be entitled to VHA amounting to \$117.15 in the Washington, D.C. area or \$23.43 if he were assigned to Fort Benning, Ga.

The DA official noted that the VHA will be paid on a daily rate basis like separate rations

and the amount will therefore vary depending on the number of days in the month.

The VHA indexes were determined after DA officials distributed more than a quarter of a million housing cost survey forms. As a result of the information provided by soldiers on those forms, analysts determined average housing costs by area.

Post finance officials said Tuesday that Presidio soldiers may see the additional money in their October paychecks, but cautioned that the payment might be delayed. The officials said that the necessary data had already been sent to the Army Finance Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., and it is anticipated that the increase would be in end of the month checks.



Ready on the firing line?

Soldiers from Letterman Army Medical Center qualify with M-16's during annual training at Camp Parks. The training, called Combat Environment Transition Training (CETT), encompassed seven areas of combat

skills including weapons familiarization, NBC training, field orientation, land navigation, field sanitation, combat service support and transportation of sick and wounded. (Photo by Gene Hill)

LAMC soldiers take to the field

Soldiers from LAMC and LAIR recently completed their annual Combat Environment Transition Training (CETT) at Camp Parks.

More than 125 soldiers participated in the CETT training which focused on seven areas of combat skills, including weapons, familiarization, nuclear, chemical and biological warfare, field orientation and

land navigation, field sanitation, combat support services and transportation of the sick and wounded.

The training was conducted in four three-week cycles with officers and enlisted soldiers training side by side.

The CETT training program was initiated last year to train LAMC soldiers in skills necessary to function in a combat environment.

Music, displays will highlight celebration

A post-wide celebration of American culture will be held Oct. 28 through Nov. 1 on the parking lot behind COMPACT.

According to project officer, Capt. Ron Seikel, the week is designed to recognize in one celebration all of the ethnic groups which have contributed to American society.

Under the title of "All-American Week," the celebration will kick off at 1 a.m. Oct. 28 with a colorful ceremony. Participating in the ceremony will be KNBR radio personalities Frank Dill and Carter B. Smith. Guest speaker for the event will be San Francisco supervisor Louis Renne.

Immediately following the ceremony Turk Murphy and his band will present an hour-long concert while Dill and Smith circulate around the festival area to sign autographs and talk with fans. Later in the day a member of the San Francisco 49ers will also be on hand.

Throughout the day a variety of food booths and cultural displays will be on hand. Among the various types of food available will be soul Greek, German, Italian, Chinese, Mideastern, native American, traditional American, Asian-Pacific and Hispanic.

Other groups who will be performing during the week include the "Queen Ida Band" featuring cajun music, a Chinese Instrumental Troupe, "Curly Gold and the Texas Tune Twisters," "Daimona Coura" a Zengal African Dance Troupe, Flamenco Dancers, and the "Any Old Time String Band," among many.

Also included in the week's activities will be a Prayer Breakfast for Letterman Army Medical Center personnel from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. Oct. 28, a "50s Sock Hop" at the NCO/Enlisted Club from 7 to 11 p.m. also on Oct. 28.

The 170th MP Co. dining facility will host an Asian food luncheon for all military personnel and their guests from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 29 while the USAG dining facility will have Hispanic dining from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. the same day.

An "International Disco" featuring Master Smooth will be held at the NCO/Enlisted Club from 7:30 to 11 p.m. on Oct. 31.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post Commander encourages supervisors to allow 50 percent of their staffs time off at various points during the week to attend the celebration.

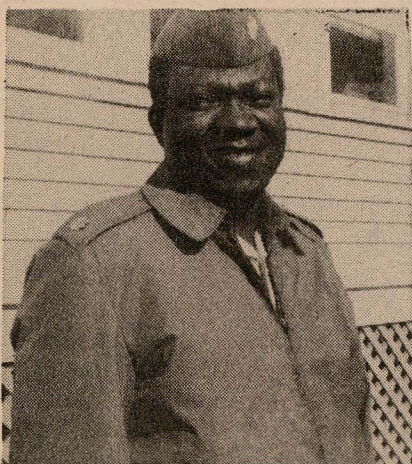
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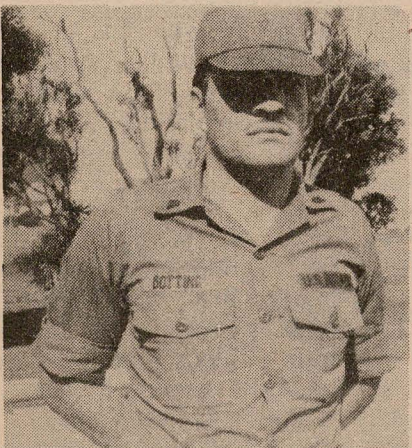
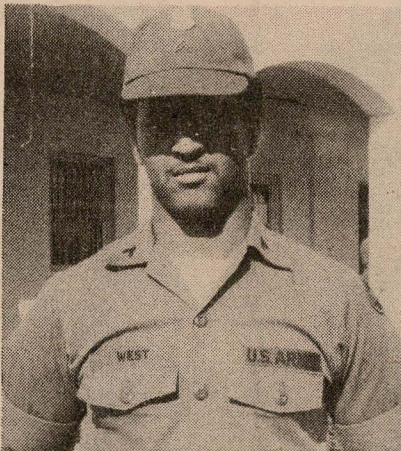
What is the biggest issue facing the country?

Sp5 Carla Maxwell, COMPACT—"The economics and over population rate are important issues to solve in this country."



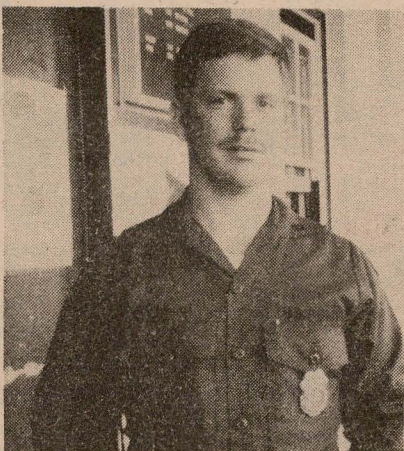
Lt. Col. Donald Thompson, Sixth Army—"This country faces an on going issue to cutdown inflation. What America will do to solve this problem, is on everyones' mind."

Cpl. Lonnie West, 170th MP CO—"An important issue is whether or not America can maintain peace throughout the world."



Sp4 Robert Botting, 504th MP Bn—"Choos- ing the next President for America is a major issue because of the situations this country faces today."

PFC Bob Hughes, 170th MP CO—"One issue which America faces is solving the rac- ism problem. People should work together to solve the problems America faces."



Dump of the week

This week's "Dump of the Week" is near the Presidio Yacht Club at Fort Baker. This area and others are being included in a post-wide clean up

campaign Nov. 3 through 7. The Star Presidian will publish photographs of post eyesores each week. (Photo by Harvey Kinoshita)

Come celebrate America

Next week, the Presidio military and civilian community will join hands in the celebration of "All-American Week."

The celebration, a first for the Presidio, will afford us an unique opportunity to celebrate in a very special way the heritage of all Americans-be they European, Black, Hispanic, Asian-Pacific or native American. The celebration will feature a variety of cultural displays, ethnic food booths, arts and crafts and entertainment and I urge

each and every member of the Presidio community to partake in the festivities.

To that end, I have authorized commanders, directors and military and civilian staff chiefs to release up to half of their personnel each day for the specific purpose of attending the celebration of events.

I hope that all Presidians will take the opportunity to share in this very special week.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Have you met the Wednesday morning quarterback?

"We've all heard of the Monday morning quarterback and probably know a few. But I'd be willing to bet you've never heard of the Wednesday morning quarterback nor do you think you know any."

There are literally millions of Wednesday morning quarterbacks, Americans who get up the morning after election day to announce their displeasure with the campaign's end results.

They will criticize the candidates. They will try and second guess strategy and look for a million other reasons their man or woman lost.

What they won't look at is their own role in the election.

Millions of Americans who are registered voters won't go to the polls on Nov. 4. They'll have a hundred reasons why they can't make it. Yet on Nov. 5 they'll wake up and turn into instant Wednesday morning quarterbacks.

If you are a registered voter and don't go to the polls on election day, just be quiet Nov. 5 and let those of us who will vote be the Wednesday morning quarterbacks.

Tom Tiernan

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Dupius always gets his dog

Sp4 Frederick Dupuis is going to the dogs, or at least after them.

Dupius, a member of the 163rd Military Police Company, is assigned to the Provost Marshal's office as the man in charge of animal control on post.

While many people may consider his role as simply, the Presidio dog catcher, Dupius often finds himself getting calls to help take out on a variety of tasks.

Recently, for example, he was called upon to capture three racoons running loose at Fort Mason. After Dupius had corralled the critters he took them to the post vet clinic for a check up. One was later released at Camp Parks while the two others are being held at the clinic until they grow old enough to survive on their own.

For Dupius, it is all a part of his job. Periodically, he goes out to Forts Baker, Berry or Cronkhite and captures wild skunks or racoons and takes them to the Letterman Army Institute of Research. There the animals are checked for rabies.

This summer, Dupius brought in one skunk that turned up with rabies. It was the first such case in more than 30 years.

Still, tracking down stray animals in the post's housing areas consumes much of Dupius' time.

According to Dupius much of his business comes from the Pershing Park area. Not only do many dogs get loose there, he says, but because it is on a busy main street through the post, some civilians "dump" their animals in the area as well.

Anyone who has tried catching "Fido" when he gets loose can appreciate Dupius' tasks when it comes to running in stray dogs.

"It's really hard to catch some of them," he says, "I've only got two legs and they have four. A lot of dogs know me. They see the truck and the cages on back and take off."

And for Dupius, it is not just the animals that sometimes cause problems. "I pick up this afgan one time, he says, "and the lady who owned the dog accused me of taking it off the chain."



Who are these masked animals?

Sp4 Frederick Dupius (r.) hands over a couple of racoons to Capt. James Pool at the post vet clinic. Dupius caught three of the animals at Fort Mason.

Naturally when Dupius gets around stray animals he runs the risk of getting bitten. Once when he was called to Fort Mason after a girl had been attacked by a dog, he came away with two bites.

"I laughed when I first got there," Dupius explains. "It was such a little dog, but he really put

One was released at Camp Parks while two others are being held until they grow old enough to survive on their own.

up a fight."

Since he was assigned his duties in June, Dupius says he likes the job because he likes working with the animals.

"It's different," he adds, "It's not the usual MP duties. In fact, a lot of MP's don't even understand all the things I do."

Blood drive set, LAMC takes trophy

The fourth quarter Presidio blood drive will be held Nov. 4 at the Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club and at the Fort Scott Education Center, according to Dutch Bowen, deputy director of personnel and Community Activities.

Details of the drive and the unofficial competition between Presidio and Letterman Army Medical Center were the subject of a coordination meeting last Wednesday. During the meeting, Bowen unveiled a new trophy, symbolic of the leader in the blood drive competition.

The trophy, an old Springfield rifle to which is attached a bronzed blood bag, represents the traditional relationship of the military and the need for blood in combat. The trophy was presented to Letterman commander, Maj. Gen. Floyd Baker, whose organization topped the Presidio in the third quarter drive.

Last quarter, LAMC reached a total of 403 units. Presidio trailed with a total of 380. All units were donated through the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank which supplies most of the blood used in all hospitals, military and civilian alike, in the Bay Area.

Both commanders, LAMC and the Presidio's Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., will continue their policy of granting a full day off in conjunction with a weekend for military personnel donating a unit of blood. Civilian employees donating will receive four hours off immediately following the donation.

Appointments for donations made be made through the various organization representatives.

Turn back your clocks

Sunday is the day that Presidians should turn their clocks back one hour as Daylight Savings Time expires. At midnight on Sunday, clocks should be reset for 11 p.m.



Where did you get those "pearly whites"

Presidio officials have set 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. as the hours for Presidio children to "trick or treat" on Halloween. Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by

an adult. The officials emphasized that parents and children should think safety and dress in light colored outfits. (Photo by Ken Juber)

Turk Murphy's been around

When the "All-American Week" festivities kick off Tuesday, Presidians will get a chance to "hear" a San Francisco landmark—The Turk Murphy Jazz Band.

Turk Murphy and his band have been in business for 32 years—a long time by band standards—and appear nightly at Earthquake McGoon's on Clay Street.

Murphy and his fellow five musicians play "traditional" jazz and include more than 400 songs in their repertoire.

Murphy, the band's trombone player—originally formed the group "Bay City Stompers" in 1948. Shortly thereafter the name changed to the Turk Murphy Jazz Band and they have been playing ever since.

The band has appeared on most major television shows and has recorded more than twenty albums. It has also played for the sound tracks of several motion pictures including "Good Neighbor Sam," and "The Interns."

When Louis Armstrong recorded and popularized the song "Mac the Knife," it was Murphy who arranged the tune for him.

The band is now composed of a coronet, clarinet and trombone, piano, banjo and tuba players. There are no drums.

Murphy has been a professional musician since the age of 15 and is a self-taught trombone player.

Occasionally, when the band is appearing at Earthquake McGoon's, celebrities such as Woody Allen sit in.



A San Francisco legend and his group

The Turk Murphy Jazz Band (shown here during a Stern Grove Concert) will kick off "All-American Week" activities Tuesday. The band has played

for more than 30 years and appears at Earthquake McGoon's nightly.
(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Schedule announced for celebration

All-American Week will be celebrated Oct. 28 through Nov. 1 on the main parking lot behind COMPACT.

During the week food booths, pinata parties, and cultural displays will be available from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Throughout the week members of the San Francisco 49ers and Giants will be on hand to sign autographs and talk with fans as will local radio and television personalities.

Here's a schedule for the musical groups:

Oct. 28		
Time	Event	Place
6:30-8:30 a.m.	Prayer Breakfast	LAMC
11 a.m.	Opening Ceremony	Main Stage
Noon	Turk Murphy Jazz Band	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Chinese Instrumental Troupe	Main Stage
3 p.m.	El Fayzin Moroccan Musical Group	Main Stage
7-11 p.m.	50's Sock Hop	NCO / E M Club

11:30-12:30 p.m.	Asian Luncheon	170th Din. Fac.
Noon	Miriam Dvorin European Folk Singer	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Curly Gold and the Texas Tune Twisters	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Martials Arts Exhibition	Grass Area
2 p.m.	"Lion Dance" by a Chinese Performing Arts Troupe	Main Stage
3 p.m.	Cultural Odyssey Jazz Combo	Main Stage
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Hispanic Dining	USAG Din. Fac.

Oct. 30		
11 a.m.	Dick Oxtot and the Golden Age Jazz/Dixieland Band	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Diamona Coura (Zangal-African Dance Troupe)	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Rosa Montoya's Flamenco Dancers	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Martial Arts Demo	Grassy Area

3:30-4:15 p.m.	Retirement Ceremony	Parade Field
Noon	Mi Mi and Lesandre (South India Dancers)	Main Stage
1 p.m.	El Fayzin	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Batucaje Band and Dancers African-Brazilian Dance	Main Stage
6:30 p.m.	Wajumbe Dance Troupe	NCO / E M Club
7:30 p.m.	International Disco	NCO / E M Club

Nov. 1		
11 a.m.	Almenrausch Schuhplattler Bavarian/Alpine Musical Dance Troupe	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Native American Dance Troupe	Main Stage
2 p.m.	TAM High School German Club Dance Troupe	Main Stage
2:30 p.m.	Tiara (Polynesian Music and Dance Troupe)	Main Stage
3:30 p.m.	Any Old Time String Band	Main Stage

All soldiers will face annual SQT testing in FY 81, shorter skill component planned for combat arms

Changes in the Skill Qualifications Test (SQT) program will begin to affect Presidio soldiers scheduled for the SQT during FY 81, according to a Department of the Army training official.

One of the major changes calls for the annual testing of all soldiers. Now, the official explains, all soldiers will be tested in their primary MOS annually once their SQT dates are set.

Test forms of E-4's and below are sent to the U. S. Army Training Support Center (USATSC), Fort Eustis, Va., which scores the tests and prepares the individual soldier's reports (ISR). The ISR is then returned to the soldier's unit. The official stated that a copy of the ISR is kept in the soldier's military personnel records for use when the soldier competes for promotion to E-5. The official added, however, that the ISR is not placed in the soldier's official file kept at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Test forms of E-5's and above are also sent to USATSC for scoring and preparation or ISR's. In

addition, the U. S. Army Enlisted Records Evaluation Center (USAEREC) at Fort Benjamin Harrison gets the scores so that a USAEREC Form 10A can be prepared. These soldiers will continue to receive the ISR and the USAFREC Form 10A which will give the SQT result, the soldier's percentile ranking and the senior enlisted evaluation report score.

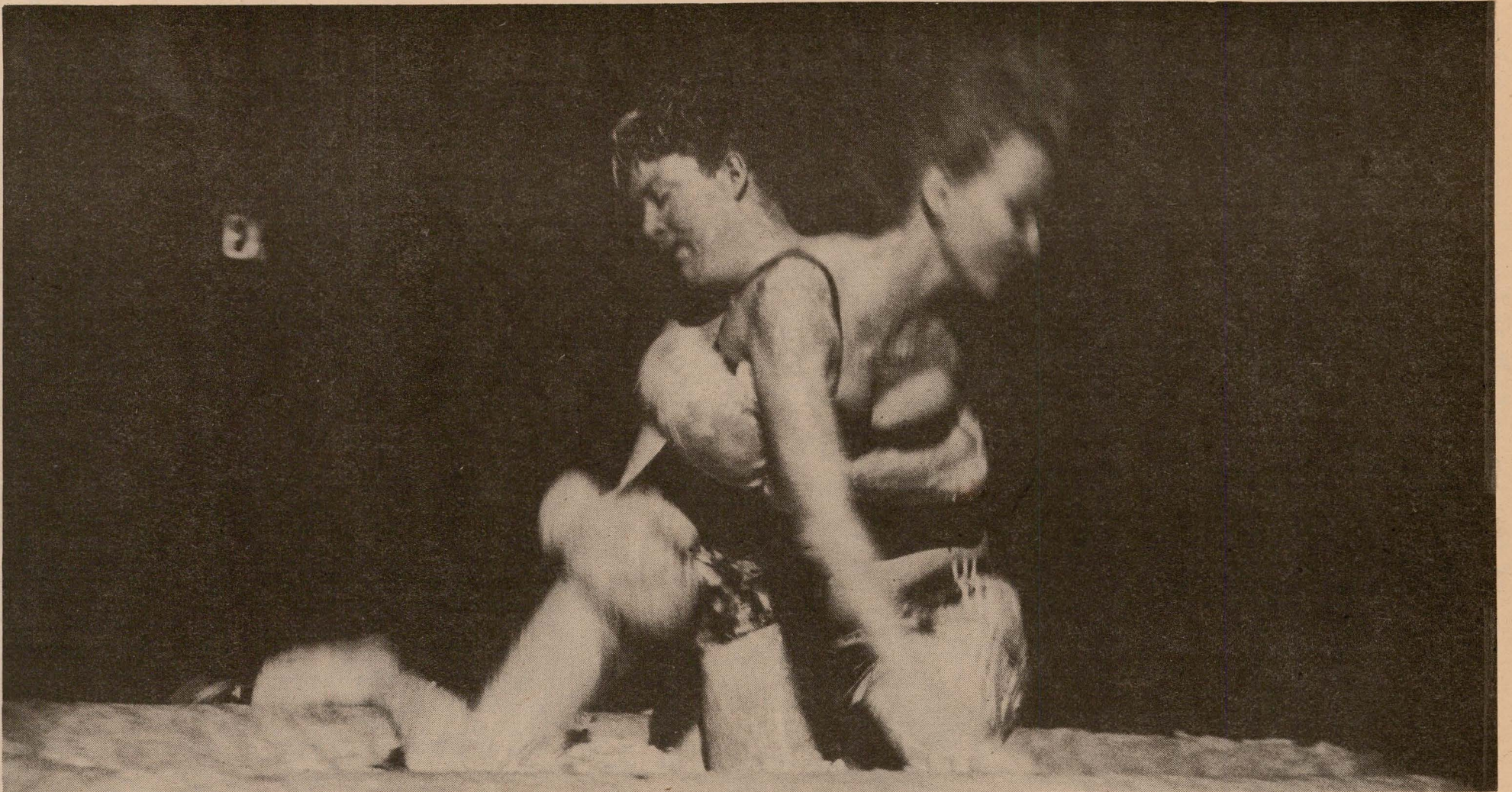
Other SQT changes announced in 1979 but which start during the FY 81 testing period include:

- A shorter Skill Component (SC), previously called the written component, part of the SQT. The official explained that the SC test portion for combat arms soldiers will be one hour long, while all other soldiers will have a two-hour test.
- An improved SC section of the SQT which uses more charts, diagrams, and visual aids for the soldier to work with.
- More emphasis on performance using the job site component part of the SQT, previously refer-

red to as the performance certification component. The SQT job site component section is like the hands-on componet, he explained, but does not require the set up of a formal test site or special training for scorers. It is given to the soldiers by the immediate supervisor.

Another change which will impact on the SQT program is that soldiers will now be tested at their present skill level only. There will be no questions based on the next higher skill level, the official says. For SQT's beginning this month the test numbering system is changed as follows:

Skill Level Authorized SQT Grade		New	dOld
E-1 through E-4	1	SQT 1	SQT 2
E-5	2	SQT 2	SQT 3
E-6	3	SQT 3	SQT 4
E-7	4	SQT 4	SQT 5
E-8 and E-9	5	SQT 5	SQT 5



Sp4 Michael Suchy takes Super Star Slim down on the way to a pin.

Mud fight draws huge crowd

At least one Presidio Engineer is building himself quite a reputation.

Sp4 Michael Suchy of the 864th Engineers beat two female mud wrestlers at their own game last week when the "Sweet Lil Mud Pies" gave their show at the NCO and Enlisted Club.

According to the Mud Pies' captain, Amelia Carpenter, it was the first time in five or six matches that her wrestlers had lost a challenge match.

As more than 350 cheering, chanting specta-

tors watched the 205-pound Sancy outfought "Tornado Tamra" and "Super Star Slim" in the three round challenge match.

To even the odds, Suchy was forced to fight the match wearing boxing gloves and with his feet bound together.

"It's not as easy as it looked," Suchy said later, "I was really working hard out there. Those women really let it all out in the ring."

When the Mud Pies return to the club Wednesday, Suchy says, "I'll be there to defend my title."



Suchy gets a well-deserved shower.



Suchy acknowledges his triumph.

Time to spare

Cowboys come to Cow Palace tomorrow

Top cowboys come to town this week to compete in the **Grand National Rodeo** which starts tomorrow at the Cow Palace. The show opens tomorrow at 7:45 p.m. and the rodeo continues through Nov. 2.

"**The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail**," continues this weekend at the Presidio Playhouse. Performances are set for tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and with the **final show** on Saturday at 7 p.m.

A **culinary carnival** runs Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Showplace on at 2 Kansas Street. The carnival features demonstrations by Narsai David and Rosemarys Manell as well as a celebrity pumpkin carve-in and exhibits. Call 982-2925 for more information.

More than **100 unique creations of miniaturists** will be exhibited at the San Jose Convention Center Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information call (408) 395-9331.

A celebration for **Pablo Picasso's 99th birthday** will be held Saturday at the Vorpall Gallery at 393 Grove Street. The celebration begins at 2 p.m. and features dancers, musicians, mimes, jugglers and puppets. Admission is free.

A **high school band competition** runs Saturday in Pleasanton featuring 40 marching bands in parade downtown starting at 11 a.m. Later, 18 bands will compete at Foothill High School in a **halftime competition** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The **Ninth Annual Tai Kwon Do Collegiate Championships** get underway at UC Berkeley Saturday. Eliminations begin at noon with the finals slated for 5 p.m.

Sunday the **Golden West Cat Show** happens at the Hall of Flowers in Golden Gate Park beginning at 9:30 a.m. Admission is free.

There are still ticket spaces available for the Presidio Recreation Center's outing to **Mariott's Great America** on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Price is \$6.75 per person. Call 561-2000 for more information.

The Rec Center also has special **Marine World/Africa USA** tickets available. The tickets are good through Nov. 2. Cost of the tickets is \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children.

The center is planning a **tour to the wine country** Nov. 15 from 8:30 to 5:30 p.m. The price is \$8 per person and sign ups are now being taken.

The center is offering two classes which start Nov. 3. **Belly dancing classes** begin at 8 p.m. A **Christmas Novelty Cake Decorating class** begins t \$7.30 p.m. Price for the cake class is \$15 for four weeks. The class combines decorating and sugar art techniques.

For more information on any Rec Center programs or activities call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily. Tickets are on sale after 4 p.m. daily.



Ride 'em cowboy

A cowboy catches a ride on the mechanical bull at the Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club. Rides on the bull are offered every Wednesday evening

during the club's country-western nights. Would-be John Travolta's can ride for \$1. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

- Oct. 23 **Honeysuckle Rose** (PG) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 24 **Honeysuckle Rose** (PG) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 25 **The Muppet Movie** (G) 2 & 7 p.m.
- Oct. 26 **The Blue Lagoon** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 27 **The Blue Lagoon** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 28 **Hero at Large** (PG) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 30 **The Fog** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 31 **The Last Flight of Noah's Ark** (G) 7 p.m.
- Nov. 1 **The Last Flight of Noah's Ark** (G) 2 & 7 p.m.
- Nov. 2 **Dressed to Kill** (R) 7 p.m.

Letterman's Schwartz Theater

- Oct. 23 **The Visitor** (R) 7 p.m.

- Oct. 24 **Herbie Goes Bananas** (G) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 27 **The Blues Brothers** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 28 **The Blues Brothers** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 29 **When You Comin' Back** 7 p.m.
- Red Ryder?**
- Oct. 30 **Honeysuckle Rose** (R) 7 p.m.
- Oct. 31 **Honeysuckle Rose** (R) 7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

The Muppets, the fable characters created by Jim Henson make their motion picture debut in the **Muppet Movie** which plays Saturday at the Presidio Theater. It is the movie of how Kermit the Frog was lured from his southland swamp to Hollywood by

the dream of "making millions of people happy" and how he met the other Muppets along the way. The comedy with music also recalls the first romantic encounter between Kermit and the devine swine, Miss Piggy. It features virtually of all Henson's characters from the largest (Big Bird who stands nine feet tall) to the smallest (Squirmy the Worm). Included are Fozzie Bear, the Great Gonzo, Sweetums, Bunsen Honeydew, Dr. Teeth, and the Electric Mayhem. Heading the human cast are Charles Durning, as Doc Hopper, a fast food tycoon who wants Kermit to front for his latest franchise-french fried frog legs. This is a movie many adults consider "more entertaining than humanly possible."

Sports

USAG handcuffs 170th MPs 25-6

A spirited USAG team, behind quarterback **Glen Turner**, were not to be denied in their 25-6 victory over a hapless 170th MP CO.

Turner, scored first on a 39-yard jaunt early in the first period, scored later on a pass to **Carlton Miles** in the second quarter and connected for another score on a pass to **Arthur Britton** in the fourth quarter.

Oakland 22 - PHS 14

In a very close game which featured four interceptions, Oakland Army Base defeated the Public Health Service 22-14.

After feeling each other out for a scoreless first quarter, both teams caught fire with OAB scoring twice. The first OAB score came on a 31-yard pass from **Ryan Stone** to **Andre Jefferson** and their second on a two-yard run by **Reggie Lindsey**.

PHS scored once in the second quarter on a 58 yard bomb from **Mike Hollybrook** to **Brent Howard**, narrowing the score to 16-7.

In the second half, PHS caught their opponents napping on defense, scoring on a quick-out pass to **Willis Haynes** which covered 45 yards and pulled them within three points, 16-13.

The game clincher came with less than two minutes remaining, with PHS in control and marching down field for the winning score, but OAB's **Mike Hallet** intercepted a pass and returned it for the final score, 22-14.

170th 6 - 864th 0

In another defensive/offensive battle, the 170th MP's struggled past the 864th Engineers, 6-0.

The lone score of the game came with four minutes remaining, when 170th's **Lonne West** tossed a 16 yard "alley-oop" pass to **James Allen**, who out jumped everyone in the end zone for the reception and victory.

A missed point after attempt proved the difference as the Corps of Engineers turned victory into defeat against the 548th/87th Ordnance, 8-6.

The Corps scored late in the second quarter on a 35-yard pass from **Steve Nordstrom** to **Earn Morgan**, but missed the conversion.

With less than two minutes remaining, the 548th/87th quarterback, **Scott Carr**, mounted a last ditch drive tying the score on an eight-yard pass to **Robert Clipper**. The two point conversion made the difference as the 548th/87th edged past the Corps.

Here are the flag football league standings:			
Presidio League		Fort Scott League	
LAMC No. 1	4-0	548th/87th Ordnance	5-0
USAG	4-0	66th Radar	4-1
170th MP	4-2	Corps of Engineers	4-2
51st Engineers	2-2	Oakland Army Base	2-3
USACC	2-3	Four Seasons	1-3
504th MP	0-3	Public Health Service	0-4
864th Engineers	0-4	LAMC No. 2	0-3



Gymnastics class set

A DYA gymnastics class is being offered for youngsters ages 4 through 16 beginning Nov. 5 at gym no. 1.

One hour classes will meet every Wednesday or Friday for six weeks. Cost of the course is \$12. For more information call 561-5143.

Soccer sign-ups planned

DYA soccer registration is scheduled for Nov. 5 and 6 from 5 to 8 p.m. at gym no. 1.

Teams will be forming for boys and girls in four age brackets—under 14 years old, under 12, under 10 and under 8.

Registration costs \$5 and each player must provide a copy of their birth certificate and a passport picture.

For more information call 561-2993 or 561-5143.

New ID cards needed

Starting Nov. 3 each patron of gym No. 1, 2, and 3 and the post swimming pool will be required to sign in for a sports branch user ID card at the issue cage office.

The card will be good for entrance and equipment. A military ID card will be required with the card. The ID card will be kept in the issue cage upon checking out equipment. It will be returned to patron upon return of all checked out equipment.

Officials wanted

Personnel interested in officiating basketball games during the 1980-81 season are urged to attend a meeting tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. at gym No. 1.

For further information, contact **John Funes** at 561-5032/3364.

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian once again presents its own "peerless pigskin prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak and his picks for the week. Jimmy expects weekend action as follows:

Atlanta 24, Los Angeles 20

(Upset of the week)

Playing at home, the Falcons should have enough offense to beat the Rams. (Did someone tell Georgia that they're playing in Georgia this week?)

Washington 27, New Orleans 17

The Saints have been bumbling little devils all year.

Denver 30, New York Giants 16

New York is turning into a city of football losers. The Giants may be the first team in history to fire all the plays and keep the coach.

Green Bay 20, Minnesota 16

The 'black and blue' division has turned into the 'frilly pink' division.

Pittsburgh 30, Cleveland 17

Who can bet against the Steelers? There's no way that they could lose three in a row.

New England 28, Buffalo 24

A very close game, but the Patriots have a little more power.

Baltimore 31, St. Louis 13

The Colts are improving and the Cardinals are football's version of the Hindenburg.

Detroit 20, Kansas City 14

A very tough game to predict. Billy Sims is the only apparent difference.

Houston 27, Cincinnati 24

Only because the game is being played in the Astrodome.

San Francisco 27, Tampa Bay 21

Tampa has been playing very poorly. Doug Williams is the only quarterback in the NFL who can not take advantage of the 49ers porous secondary.

Philadelphia 24, Chicago 13

The Eagles look like the NFC's best bet for the Super Bowl at this time.

Oakland 31, Seattle 23

After what they did in Pittsburgh, who could bet against them?

San Diego 30, Dallas 24

Another close one to call. Dallas's weakest link is its secondary, and Dan Fouts will exploit it.

Miami 20, New York Jets 13

Let's see Howard Cosell make this game interesting.

Presidio News Notes

Call for an appointment

Presidio soldiers needing service at COMPACT must now call ahead for an appointment or they will not be served.

The recent change in policy is designed to increase efficiency at the COMPACT and avoid long delays for soldiers needing personnel services.

Unaffected by the change is the ID card section which will continue to accept customers on a walk in basis.

Citing some of the advantages for COMPACT customers, one official noted that soliders will also said that in the past delays were often caused when a soldier's record had to be located before being waited on.

For appointments, Presidio soldiers can call the Customer Service office.

Golf tourney near

The 1980 Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament is already drawing interest from the Navy at Treasure Island, the Coast Guard and Oakland Army Base, according to Dick Blake tournament chairman.

The Nov. 7 tournament is expected to draw close to 100 men and women to the Presidio course from throughout the Bay Area military and civilian communities, with all of the proceeds going to the 1980 Combined Federal Campaign.

The tournament will be played on an individual basis with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Players will use established Northern California Golf Association handicaps or the Calloway system for those without established handicaps.

Sign-up now

The Outdoor Recreation Center is now accepting signups for the drawing for holiday reservations at the Lake Tahoe houses and condominiums.

Interested personnel must submit their names before Nov. 7 to have a chance at getting reservations at Lake Tahoe between Dec. 19 and Jan. 3.

For more information call 561-4324/4356.



Woodsy photo

This scenic photograph by Ken Juber won Photo of the Week honors. Juber's effort will go on to

the photo of the quarter competition. If you have a photograph you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37 room 216.

Presidio boy scouts host 250 handicapped scouts for jamboree

Two Boy Scouts work a station during two-day "Handicapped Jamboree." Nearly 225 handicapped scouts from the San Francisco area participated in the jamboree held at Rob Hill. Highlights of the event included a night time walk across the Golden Gate Bridge, first aid demonstrations, orienteering, athletics and knot tying classes. The Presidio not only provided space for the scouts at Rob Hill, but also made kitchen equipment available for their use.



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Health fair coming next week

A health fair for soldiers, DoD civilians, retirees and their dependents will be held at the Harmon Hall Reserve Center at Crissy Field from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday and next Thursday.

Co-sponsored by the Presidio and Letterman Army Medical Center the fair will feature health education booths and films as well as free screenings for a variety of conditions.

Screenings at the fair will include a lung capacity test, an eye check for glaucoma, hearing tests, foot examinations, blood pressure check-ups, tests for sickle cell anemia and hemoglobin abnormalities, a dental examination and urine screening. The screenings take about two hours.

Information booths will feature representatives of the American Cancer Society, the American Lung Association, Arthritis Foundation, the Diabetes Association, the American Trauma Society, the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Commission on Aging.

Most of the organizations assisting in the health fair are supported through charitable contributions such as those collected during the Combined Federal Campaign which heads into its third week on post.

In addition a Letterman industrial hygienist will be on hand to provide information on occupational health hazards. A Letterman dietician will also be available for nutritional counseling.

The LAMC Occupational Health Department will display adaptive devices to assist people with disorders affecting their abilities to care for themselves.

For fair lunchtime attendees, post exchange vendors will be on hand selling food and refreshments.

Harmon Hall Reserve Center is located in Building 649 on Mason Street and parking will be available at the west end of Crissy Field.

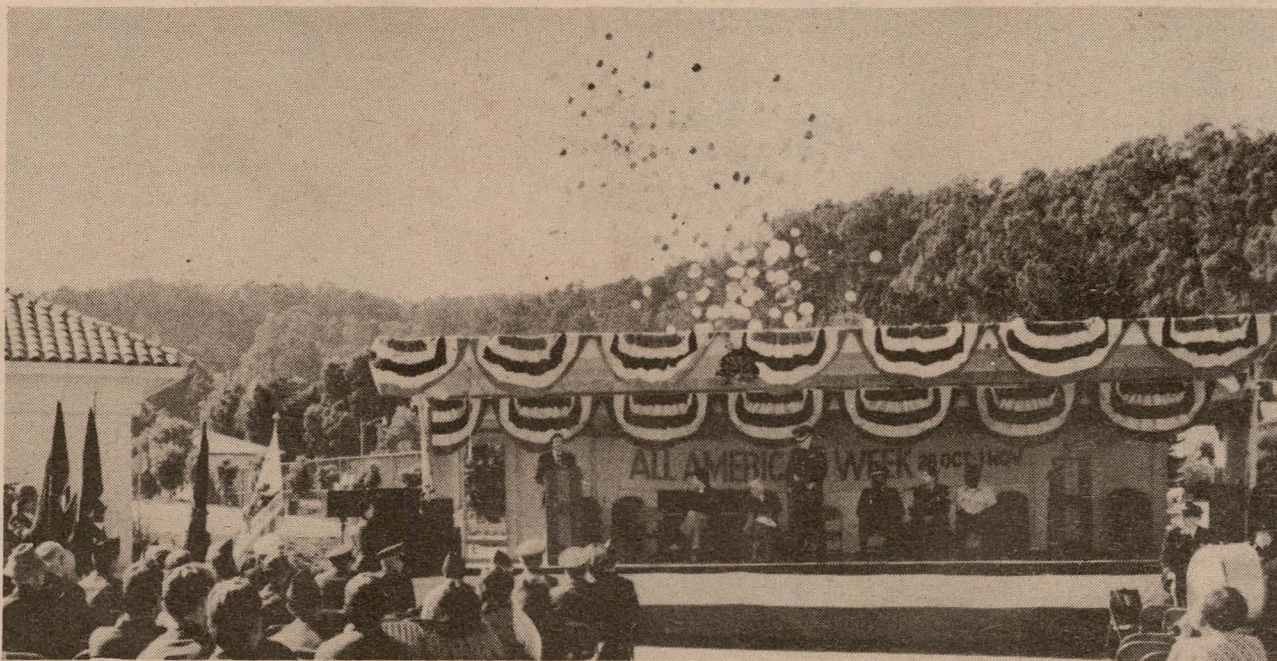


Trying to stop a killer

Bill Delaplaine gives cardiac massage to a heart attack victim while Glenn Alston starts the casualty on oxygen. Heart attack and stroke are leading killers of Americans. Millions die needlessly because they are unaware they have high

blood pressure. The upcoming health fair in Harmon Hall is a good way for soldiers, DoD civilians, retirees and dependents to get a thorough and free check up. The fair is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday.

Pageant opens cultural celebration



All-American Week takes off

Balloons rise behind the stage as the opening ceremony for all American Week concludes. Participating in the event were KNBR radio personalities Carter B. Smith and Frank Dill, San Francisco Supervisor Louise Renne, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, Sp5 Ken Juber, Maj.

Wallace J. Brown of LAMC, MSgt. James Williams, a color guard of 50 soldiers from HQ Co. USAG and the 504th MP Bn. color guard. The festivities continue through Saturday.

(Photo by John Green)

A cannon roared, balloons sailed high and the band played as "All-American Week" activities kicked off during ceremonies held Tuesday at 11 a.m. on the main stage in the parking lot below Pershing Square.

The ceremonies were highlighted by addresses by Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., Presidio commander, and San Francisco Supervisor Louise Renne. At the end of her speech, Renne, appearing in lieu of Mayor Dianne Feinstein, presented Hall with an official commendation from the city lauding the "All-American Week" concept.

The ceremonies were hosted by KNBR radio's Frank Dill and Carter B. Smith and

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Cultural performers included a Moroccan musical group, Chinese dance troupe, a European folk singer and a country western band.

The week, designed to bring persons from all ethnic backgrounds together, culminates months of planning and preparations by agencies and committees post-wide.

The celebration, honoring the Black, European, Hispanic, Asian Pacific and native American culture, continues through Saturday with a variety of demonstrations and displays.

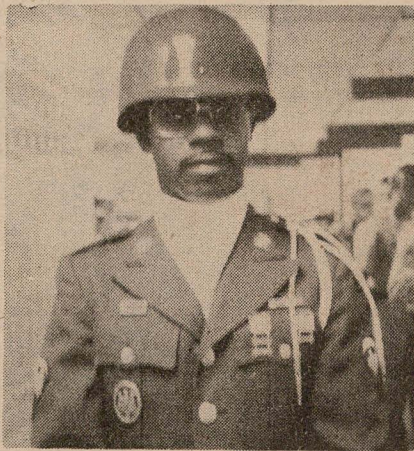
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Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

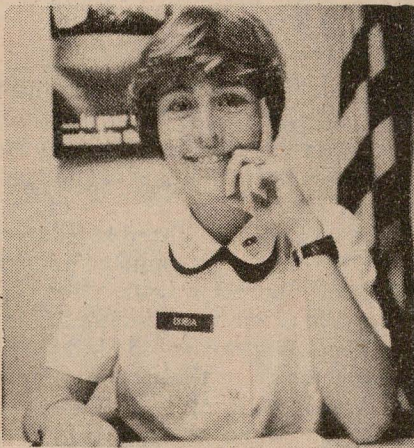
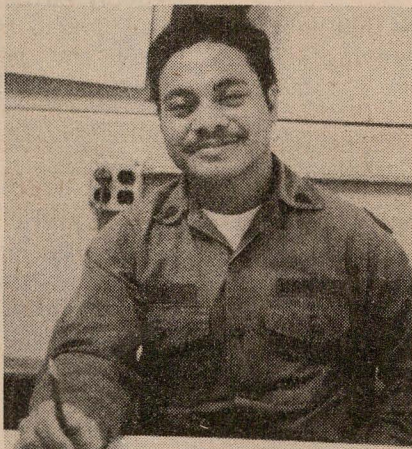
Why should people vote?

Sp5 Thomas Gennier, COMPACT—"People should exercise their right to vote as an American citizen and to honor those rights and privileges this country has fought for Americans. Voting is the freedom of choice for Americans."



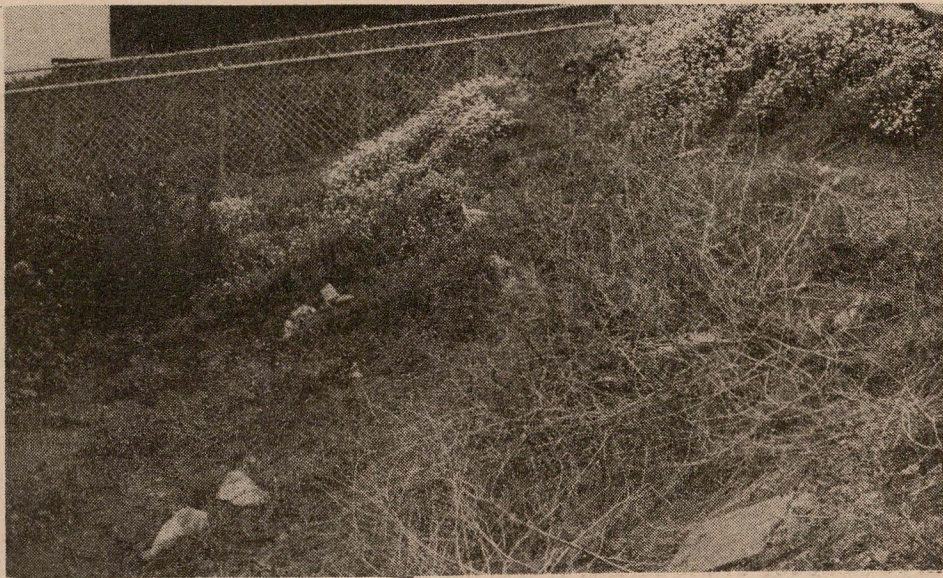
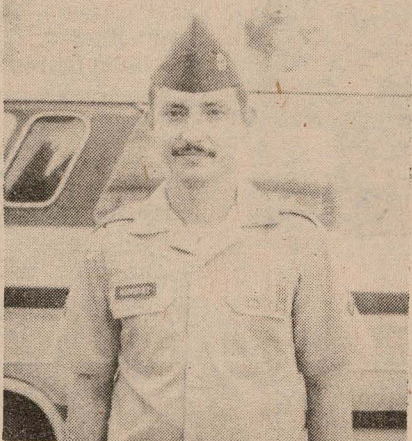
Harold Moore, COMPACT—"People should vote to ensure that the best candidate is chosen by the majority of voters in every election."

Sp5 Faamanu Lefiti, 504th MP Bn—"It's the people's responsibility to exercise their right to vote in any election. By voting, people choose who they want to represent them in office."



Capt. Laurianne F. Dubia, Adjutant—"It's the most important right we have to separate the free world from the communist world. As the Installation Voting Officer, I cannot over-emphasize the important role voters have in determining policies for our country."

Pvt. Lorenzo Rodriguez, Motor Pool—"Voting is not only the American way, but it's the people's right to select their candidate in every election."



Dump of the week

The Star Presidian is not proud to bring you once again the Dump of the Week. This week's award goes to

the area behind the quarters in the 1592 area of the Pershing Housing complex.

Vote

It's your future being decided

Next Tuesday we Americans will step into the voting booth to choose our President and other political leaders—one of the most cherished responsibilities any people have been entrusted with.

Many of us will not exercise that responsibility, unfortunately. Nearly half the registered voters in this country will not vote. I am sure there are a hundred reasons why they won't but none of those reasons justify inaction when it is time to vote.

I would like to give you one reason why you should. Your future

is being decided on Nov. 4. The leaders we elect that day will be charged with making crucial decisions on the issues which confront us all—war and peace, the economy and our welfare.

The decisions that are made will have a direct affect upon us not only as members of the Army team, but also as private individuals.

I urge you to join me and millions of other voters in casting a vote for the candidates of your choice.

Don't wake up Nov. 5 and say, "I wish I had voted." It's too late then.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Be thankful in November

If you really think about it, Election Day, Veterans' Day, and Thanksgiving have more in common than just the fact that they all fall in November.

All three days are days for giving thanks. Now this may seem clear in the case of Veterans' Day and Thanksgiving but you ask, "How does Election Day fit in?"

Whenever we walk into the voting booth and close the curtain we are participating in one of the most cherished acts any people have the privilege to perform. Not only are we electing men and women to high office, we are also having a direct say in our futures.

The list of countries where the people's futures are decided for them without their say is long. I am sure these people would gladly pay any price to have the freedom to vote.

So every Election Day as you make that crucial decision be thankful that you have the freedom to either vote or sit at home. On Veterans' Day you can show your appreciation to those who have given so much to secure and maintain this right. And on Thanksgiving you can count all your blessings including your right to or not to vote.

Tom Tiernan

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VHA means more money, many questions

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a two part series on the Variable Housing Allowance. Part II will appear next week.)

by Tom Tiernan

The new variable housing allowance will make its first appearance in the pay checks of Presidio soldiers on Friday. And while the extra dollars will be welcomed, the complexity of the allowance may raise a lot of questions.

According to information provided by Capt. Jo Anne R. Fielder of the post finance and accounting office, VHA is designed to help soldiers entitled to BAQ defray the cost of off-post housing at CONUS installations where government quarters are not furnished.

The allowance is paid in areas where the average cost for housing exceeds the soldier's BAQ by 15 percent or more.

The VHA rates are paid to soldiers based on the location where they perform duty. For soldiers on unaccompanied or "all others" tours outside of CONUS, the rate is based on the primary residence of the soldier's dependents.

Prior to the start of VHA the Department of Defense surveyed more than 200,000 military members to determine housing costs throughout the country. This information along with input from the Department of Housing and Urban Development provided data for the allowance.

The rates were then grouped by Military Housing Area, which is an area with similar costs by rate and quality of housing.

VHA is further broken down by grade as follows: E1-E3; E4-E6; O1-O3 and W1-W3; O4-O10 and W4.

Soldiers receive VHA as a daily entitlement. Therefore, their pay checks for January, March, May, July, August, October, and December will be a little fatter than those for April, June, September and November. February will be

GRADE	VARIABLE HOUSING ALLOWANCES (VHA)					
	WITH			WITHOUT		
	30 Days	31 Days				
O-10-O-7	\$0.88	\$211.20	218.24	\$0.70	\$168.00	\$173.60
O-6	0.77	184.80	190.96	0.63	151.20	156.20
O-5	0.70	168.00	173.60	0.59	139.20	143.84
O-4	0.63	151.20	156.24	0.57	124.80	128.96
O-3	0.55	100.80	104.16	0.46	82.80	85.56
O-2	0.50	90.00	93.00	0.40	72.00	74.40
O-1	0.40	72.00	74.40	0.31	55.80	57.66
W-4	0.60	144.00	148.80	0.50	120.00	124.00
W-3	0.55	99.00	102.30	0.45	81.00	83.70
W-2	0.49	88.20	91.14	0.39	70.20	72.54
W-1	0.45	81.00	83.70	0.35	63.00	65.10
E-9	0.53	159.00	164.30	0.38	114.00	117.80
E-8	0.49	147.00	151.90	0.35	105.00	108.50
E-7	0.46	138.00	142.60	0.30	90.00	93.00
E-6	0.42	88.20	91.14	0.27	56.70	58.59
E-5	0.39	81.90	84.63	0.26	54.60	56.42
E-4	0.34	71.40	73.78	0.23	48.30	49.91
E-3	0.30	90.00	93.00	0.20	60.00	62.00
E-2	0.30	90.00	93.00	0.18	54.00	55.80
E-1	0.30	90.00	93.00	0.17	51.00	52.70

one or two days less than months with 30 days.

Single soldiers living off post are entitled to VHA if they perform duty in an area where it is authorized.

Soldier couples will be paid VHA based on the individual member's BAQ rate.

Presidians who reside at Hamilton Air Force Base and work here will receive VHA based on the level for the San Francisco area.

Army and National Guard members who are ordered to active duty or active duty for training may receive VHA based on their duty station.

Just like BAQ, VHA will be paid while a soldier is PCSing. (More details on this in part two.)

Although there are many positive things about VHA, there are some things it is not:

- Applicable to persons living in inadequate government quarters
- Apply to with dependent tours in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico or other overseas locations
- Payable to soldiers drawing a rebate
- Garnishable
- Taxible

Fire station polls open to 8 p.m. Tuesday

Presidians registered in this precinct will be able to vote Tuesday without even leaving post.

According to Charles Smith of the city's Registrar of Voters office those persons registered to this precinct—including anyone who listed an on-post address when they registered—may vote at a polling place which will be run at the post fire station.

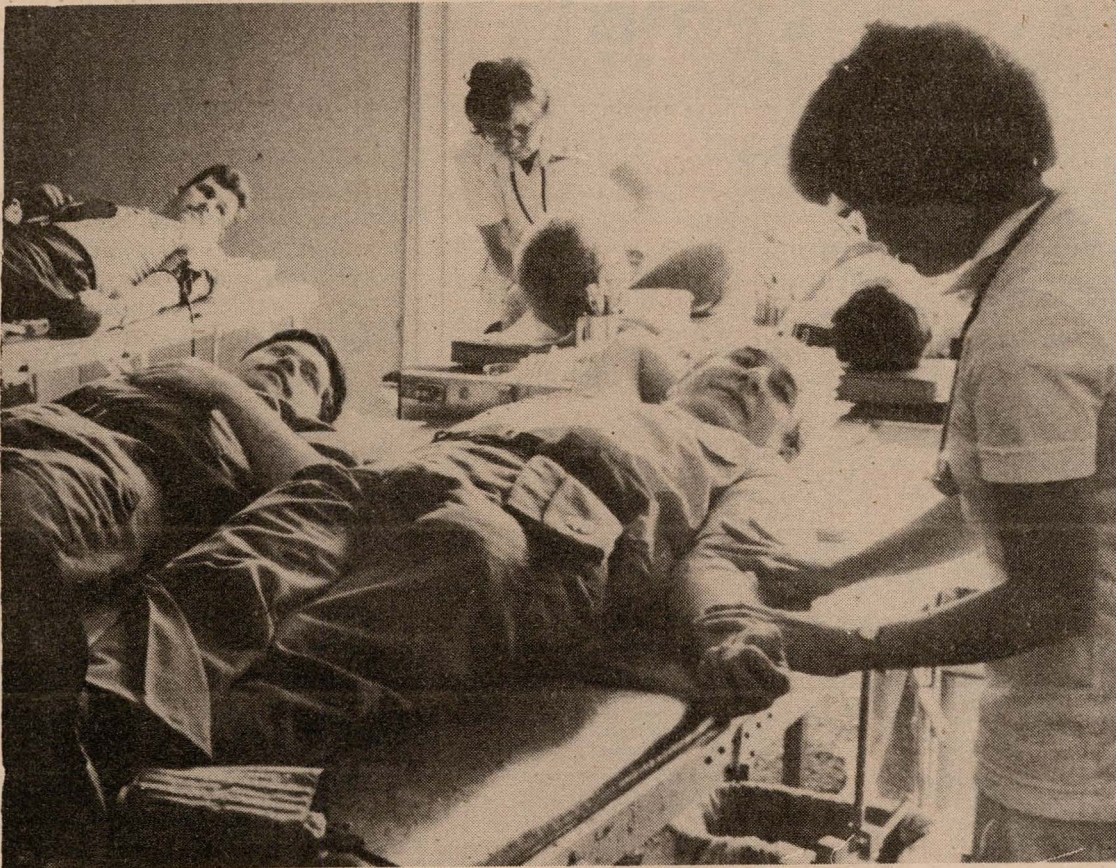
The polls open at 7 a.m. and will continue operating until 8 p.m.

Smith repeated earlier predictions that nearly half the registered voters will be staying away from the polls this year.

Army officials have been stressing the importance of voting in a variety of messages to the field.

In a Department of the Army news release, General Edward C. Meyer, Army chief of staff, exhorted soldiers and their dependents to participate in the upcoming elections.

Noting the importance of exercising voting rights, Meyer said, "I believe that every individual within our ranks should make an all out effort to vote in this coming election."



It doesn't hurt a bit

Presidio soldiers donate blood during a recent blood drive. The next drive is scheduled for Tuesday. Donors may give at

the NCO/EM Club between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. or the Fort Scott Education Center from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

One soldier killed, another injured in motorcycle crash

One Letterman soldier is dead and another is seriously injured following a weekend motorcycle accident at the Treasure Island on-ramp to the Oakland Bay Bridge.

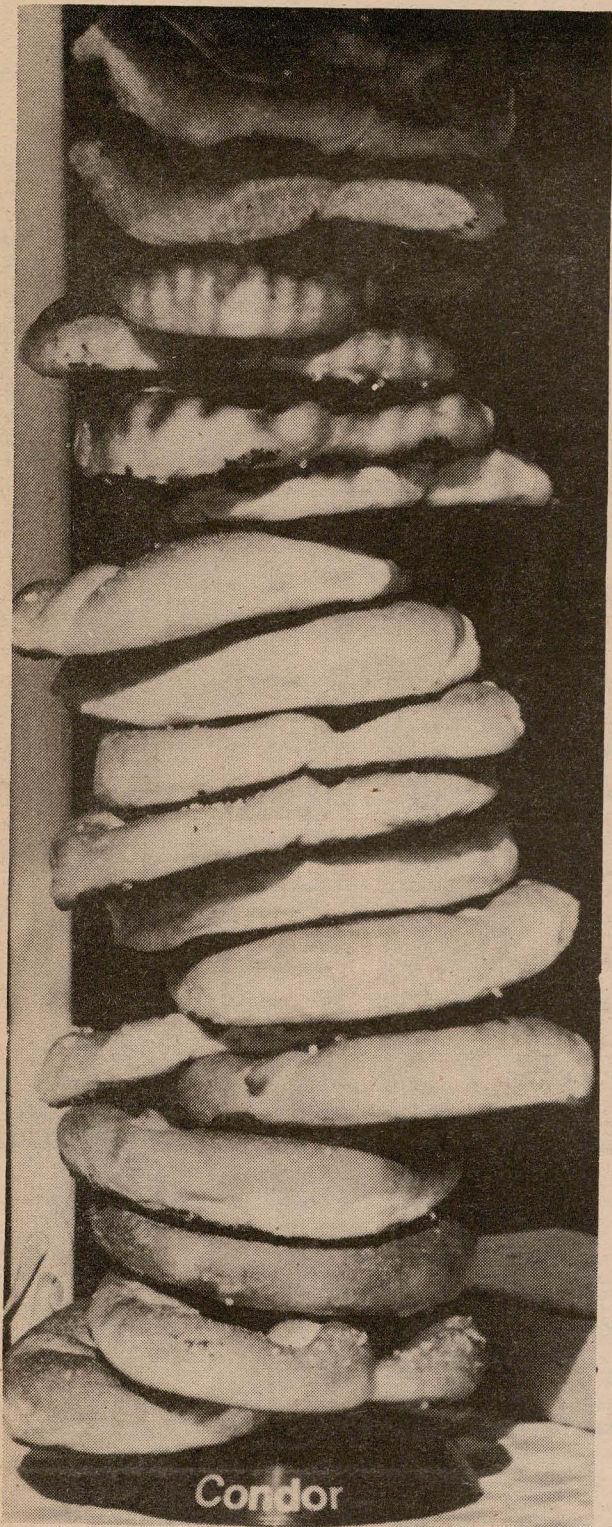
According to a LAMC spokesman, Sp4 Albertina Marcum, 23, was pronounced dead on arrival at San Francisco Mission Hospital after the motorcycle she was riding crashed into a barrier at the bridge on ramp at 1 a.m., Saturday.

PFC Ruthie B. Cordova, 20, was also riding the motorcycle but was thrown clear of the barrier when the accident occurred. She was transferred from Mission Hospital to LAMC Monday and she remains in stable condition.

Marcum was assigned to Letterman's Company B and worked in the hospital mail room. Cordova, also of Company B, was attached to the veterinary activity at Tracey Army Depot.

According to hospital spokesman, Sp5 Gene Hill, details of the accident remain unclear. Hill said Monday that investigators are unsure who was driving the motorcycle at the time of the accident. Authorities are waiting to talk to Cordova when her condition improves.

Meanwhile, military and civilian authorities continue their investigations into the accident.



Pretzel-way to heaven

This stack of pretzels is just one of the many types of food available at the All-American Week celebration. (Photo by John Green)



My what big ribs you've got

Hungry customers line up for barbecue ribs at the NCOA booth. Ribs, Greek, German, Chinese and traditional American food is available through the

Saturday at the all-American Week celebration.

(Photo by John Green)

Cultural celebration is a gastronomical paradise

When you think of American food, you may think of cheeseburgers, hot dogs or apple pie. But when you think of "All-American Week" and food, it may range from barbequed ribs to german pretzels.

That is the kind of variety offered persons attending All-American Week activities at the Presidio this week.

A host of multi-colored booths offer week-goers ethnic foods including greek cooking, a mexican cantina, a german beer and pretzel booth and a booth run by the NCO and enlisted club which is selling ribs and yaki-tori.

In all Italian, Chinese, Mideastern, native American, Asian-Pacific, traditional American and Greek and German cultures are represented by the food.

In addition, post dining facilities had ethnic meals. Yesterday, the 170th MP Company hosted an Asian food luncheon while, the USAG dining facility offered Hispanic dining from during the evening.

What with the smells of several grills mixing in the parking lot, it reminded me of one of the songs from Oliver, "Food! Glorious Food!"

Not everything is outside

Wajumbe Cultural Ensemble at Club

Not all "All-American Week" activities are happening at the main stage area in the parking lot behind COMPACT.

Several activities are planned for the NCO and Enlisted Club including a performance tomorrow 6:30 p.m. by the Wajumbe Cultural Ensemble.

Formed by Nontsizi Dolores Cayou in 1977, the Wajumbe troupe is dedicated to viewing the

Black experience through a collage of dance, poetry, live music and songs.

The troupe's offering include traditional African, Carribean and South American dance and music, contemporary modern, jazz and tap dance as well as Congo drumming and percussion.

The Wajumbe ensemble has appeared throughout the country and internationally as well. In February of 1977, they were selected to participate in the Second-World Festival of Black and African Arts and Cult-Cultural in Lagos, Nigeria.

The group's hour-long presentation tomorrow is free of charge.

All-American Week schedule runs down

All-American Week activities continue today through Saturday.

Ethnic food booths, pinata parties, cultural displays and demonstrations will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Musical and dance groups appearing through the end of the week are:

Today

11 a.m.	Dick Oxtot and the Golden Age Jazz/Dixieland Band	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Diamona Coura (Zangal-African Dance Troupe)	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Rosa Montoya's Flamenco Dancers	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Martial Arts Demo	Grassy Area
3:30-4:15 p.m.	Retirement Ceremony	Parade Field

Tomorrow

Noon	Mi Mi and Lesandre	Main Stage
1 p.m.	El Fayzin	Main Stage
2 p.m.	Batucaje Band and Dancers African-Brazilian Dance	Main Stage
6:30 p.m.	Wajumbe Dance Troupe	NCO / EM Club
7:30 p.m.	International Disco	NCO / EM Club

Saturday

11 a.m.	Almenrausch Schuhplattler Bavarian/Alpine Musical Dance Troupe	Main Stage
1 p.m.	Native American Dance Troupe	Main Stage
2 p.m.	TAM High School German Club Dance Troupe	Main Stage
2:30 p.m.	fiara (Polynesian Music and Dance Troupe)	Main Stage
3:30 p.m.	Any Old Time	Main Stage

India dancers kick off tomorrow's show

Presidians going to the "All-American Week activities tomorrow will get a chance to view a unique form of entertainment—South Indian dancers Mimi and Lesandre.

The pair kicks off tomorrow's activities with a performance on the main stage beginning at noon.

Mimi and Lesandre began their dance careers with the Royal Ballet in London. After training there, they began a comprehensive study of the several forms of classical eastern dance. They have been studying, performing and teaching the dance form for more than nine years.

In addition to performances, the pair have been used by museums to animate their collections as Mimi and Lesandre's traditional dance techniques bring life to art history, sculpture, mythology and religion of ancient civilizations.

The dances they will be performing tomorrow include the "Bharata Natyam," the classical dance of South India. The dance combines the music, poetry, sculpture, history, mythology and philosophy of India.

The Bharata Natyam originated in 3000 B. C. ancient Vedic rituals.

The dance is divided into two parts. The first is the "abhinaya" or pantomime where lines of the songs are enacted by dancers using "mudras" or hand gestures, facial expressions, and lines of the body to tell the story.

The second aspect of the dance is "pure dance" where the dancers are telling no story. The pair's movements represent Indian gods as universal forces of motion. Vishnu the Preserver, Shiva the Destroyer and Bradhma the Creator are represented by the dancers' forms.

Mimi and Lesandre have performed their dance at museums, schools and concerts throughout the world.



Look mom, no hands

Mimi and Lesandre perform one of their dances. The team will be appearing at the All-American

Week celebration tomorrow at noon. The stage is located on the main post parking lot.

Crowds praise celebration

Reaction to the first All-American Week shows the event winning the praise of many Presidians and San Franciscans.

"This week will help us gain a better understanding of one another," commented San Francisco supervisor Louise Renne.

Mayor Diane Feinstein was so impressed with idea that she issued a proclamation declaring it All-American Week in the city and county of San Francisco.

Among attendees of the opening ceremony was Ms. Isabelle Lemon, promotion director for KNBR radio, who said "I was really impressed with the color, the pageantry and the words of the ceremony. It was really a very moving experience. We at KNBR really hope to be more involved next year."

Mrs. Jaye Christy, was most impressed with the display of western and Spanish art available.

Miss Sybil Johnston was equally impressed by the display of Vietnamese items collected by the 504th MP Battalion.

The crowds obviously appreciated the food. As long lines could be seen at virtually every booth.

49ers will roar back Puki tells crowds

San Francisco 49er rookie linebacker, Craig Puki, told members of the Presidio community Tuesday, the team would continue to fight during the remainder of the season.

Puki visited the post to show the 49ers support for the All-American Week celebration.

During his hour long stay, Puki signed autographs and talked to fans. He said, "The thing people have to remember is that we are a young team. A few key injuries such as the one to Paul Hofer and we are going to have some problems because it takes the younger guys a little time to learn the plays."

A graduate of the University of Tennessee, Puki remains optimistic about the team's future and their ability to keep "roaring back."



Pretty maidens all in a row

Sue Draheim, Kate Brisline, Bethany Raine and Genny Halley, members of the Any Old Time

String Band, will close out the All-American Week celebration Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

All girl string band week's final act

Closing out festivities at All-American Week celebrations Saturday will be a four-piece musical group which traces America's musical past.

The "Any Old Time String Band," will appear on the main stage beginning at 3:30 p.m. for a concert which should include classical blues, traditional fiddle tunes, Cajun music, popular tunes from the 1920's and 30's and jazz.

The band was formed in 1976 and has played at festivals, clubs and colleges and appeared on radio and television throughout California.

The band features Kate Brislin on banjo and kazoo, Sue Draheim on fiddle, Genny Haley on banjo, and Bethany Raine on bass.

The Band has released one album, "Any Old Time String Band."

Time to spare

Rent equipment, take a class

Presidians expecting to check out ski equipment from the post Outdoor Recreation Center will now be required to attend safety and equipment care classes beginning in November.

According to Mike Dominguez, the one hour classes are designed to not only teach skiers and would-be skiers how to take care of the rental equipment, but how to avoid and treat some common ski injuries as well.

Dominguez, organizer of the classes, said he is arranging now for films on safety topics and information from the Red Cross and the National Association of Safety Patrols.

The first class is scheduled for Nov. 12 from 5 to 6 p.m. with additional classes slated for Nov. 19 from noon to 1 p.m. and Nov. 24 from 5 to 6 p.m. No definite site for classes has yet been selected.

Tentative plans have been made for additional orientations at a rate of two per month.

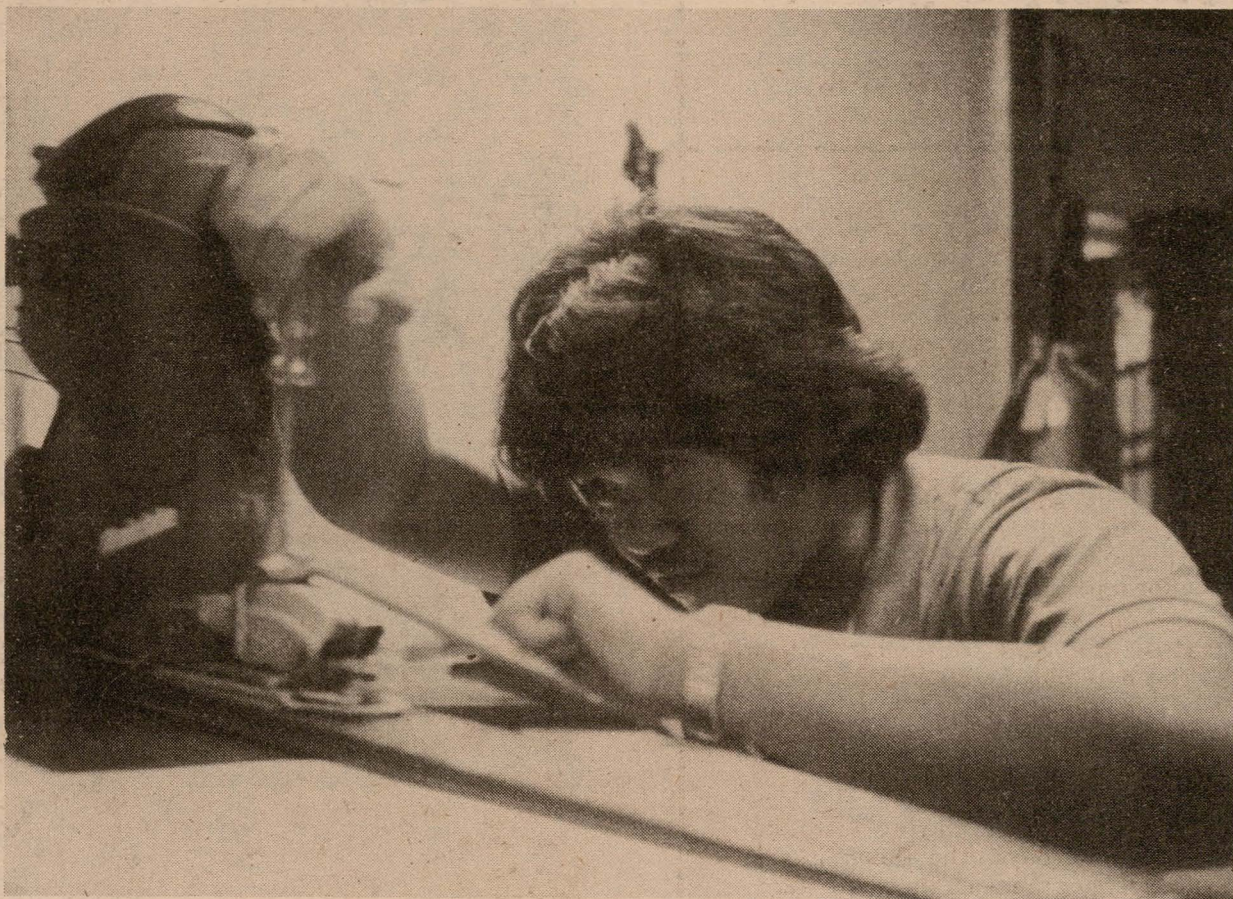
Officials at the Outdoor Recreation Center confirmed that in the past, many skiers unknowingly damaged the equipment they rented. The classes, they hope, will serve to cut down on the amount of damage this season.

Safety topics at the classes will range from how to avoid things such as hypothermia to binding adjustments.

According to Dominguez, improper binding adjustment, especially those made by skiers on the slopes, is a major source of ski injuries.

The November classes have been scheduled to come before the first ski trip now scheduled for the Dec. 5, 6, and 7.

For more information call the Outdoor Recreation Center at 561-4356.



'Screwing' around with skis

Tim Areja of the Outdoor Recreation center tightens a screw on a ski in preparation for the

opening of ski season. The center will feature their first trip Dec. 5-7. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Rapelling trip to Mount Diablo on for Sunday

The Outdoor Recreation Center is sponsoring a rock climbing and repelling trip to Mount Diablo on Sunday.

Tomorrow is the deadline for registration for the trip.

To register or for more information call 561-4324/4356.

The Big Band Halloween Ball is on tap at the Gaslight Ballroom of the Claremont Hotel in Berkeley beginning tonight at 9 p.m. The 19-piece San Francisco All-Star Band will be performing.

A Grecian Food Festival starts today at the Cathedral of the Annunciation at 245 Valencia Street. The festival features live music, food and crafts and runs today, tomorrow and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m.

A costumed roller skating dance party will be held tomorrow from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Le Park Roller Club at 555 South Van Ness Ave.

An Antique Show starts tomorrow at Oak Grove at Laurel in Menlo Park. The show runs

from noon to 8 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

The Gallileo Gem Guild presents **"Oriental Artistry"** Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Hall of Flowers at Golden Gate Park. The show features lecturers, exhibits, and demonstrations and continues Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

A tour of the historic Paramount Theater in Oakland begins at 10 a.m. Saturday. Call 893-2300 for more information.

Winter Frolic—a festival featuring belly dancing, poetry, music, drama and costumes—starts at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Fellowship Hall on Cedar and Bonita in Berkeley.

The following classes are being offered at the Post crafts shop in November:

Dough art workshops will be held on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 8 through 29. Cost of the workshop is \$7.50 which includes lunch. The class is limited to eight students.

Beginner's stained glass will begin Nov. 14 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.. The six-week class costs \$17.50.

Although active duty military are given priority, the classes are open to retired and reserve soldiers, dependents and post civilians. For more information or enrollment, call 561-4497.

The Rec Center also has special **Marine World/Africa USA tickets** available. The tickets are good through Sunday. Cost of the tickets is \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children.

The center is planning a **tour to the wine country** Nov. 15 from 8:30 to 5:30 p.m. The price is \$8 per person and sign ups are now being taken.

The center is offering two classes which start Monday. **Belly dancing classes** begin at 8 p.m. A **Christmas Novelty Cake Decorating class** begins at 7:30 p.m. Price for the cake class is \$15 for four weeks. The class combines decorating and sugar art techniques.

For more information on any Rec Center programs or activities call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily. Tickets are on sale after 4 p.m. daily.

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

Oct. 30	The Fog (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	The Last Flight of Noah's Ark (G)	7 p.m.
Nov. 1	The Flight of Noah's Ark (G)	2 and 7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Dressed to Kill (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	Dressed to Kill (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	Hog Wild (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 5	Heartbeat (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 30	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	The Muppet Movie (G)	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	The Blue Lagoon (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 5	Hero at Large (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	The Fifth Floor (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

In **The Hunter**, Steve McQueen plays a

contemporary bounty hunter who combs all 50 states for his prey. Kathryn Harrold is McQueen's pregnant girlfriend who ends up being tormented by one of McQueen's bounties who refused to be rehabilitated. Eli Wallach is a bail bondsman, down to earth, but naive enough to be left holding a number of bounced checks. Ben John is a hypocritical sheriff and Le Var Burton is a pretty criminal who McQueen takes under his wing.

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

The Star Presidian once again presents its very own "peerless pigskin prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak, and his picks for the week.

According to Jimmy, Presidio fotoball fans can look forward to:

Seattle 27, Philadelphia 24

(Upset of the week)

A gypsy sold me this prediction quite cheaply. The Seahawk's biorhythms are up, and the Eagles are due for a poor week.

Detroit 31, San Francisco 20

Not only did the 49'ers leave their hearts in San Francisco, but also their defense.

Oakland 28, Miami 20

The Raiders are playing just like the good old days. The Dolphins are definitely not the team they once were.

Buffalo 27, Atlanta 20

The Bills are playing extremely well. A team from the South may have problems playing in frigid Buffalo.

Baltimore 20, Kansas City 16

The only difference here is that Bert Jones is much better than Steve Fuller at quarterback.

Pittsburgh 27, Green Bay 14

No way that the Steelers can lose four in a row—even if all 45 players were disabled, they could still beat the Pack.

Tampa Bay 10, New York Giants 9

Does anybody really care?

San Diego 34, Cincinnati 21

The Chargers' offense is just too potent for the Bengals to handle.

Dallas 27, St. Louis 20

Dallas has traditionally found itself hard-pressed against the Cardinals.

Houston 30, Denver 16

The Oilers are playing better and the Broncos are playing worse. Enough said.

Washington 19, Minnesota 13

The Redskins' offense consists of three short runs and a Moseley field goal. It should be barely enough this week.

Los Angeles 24, New Orleans 13

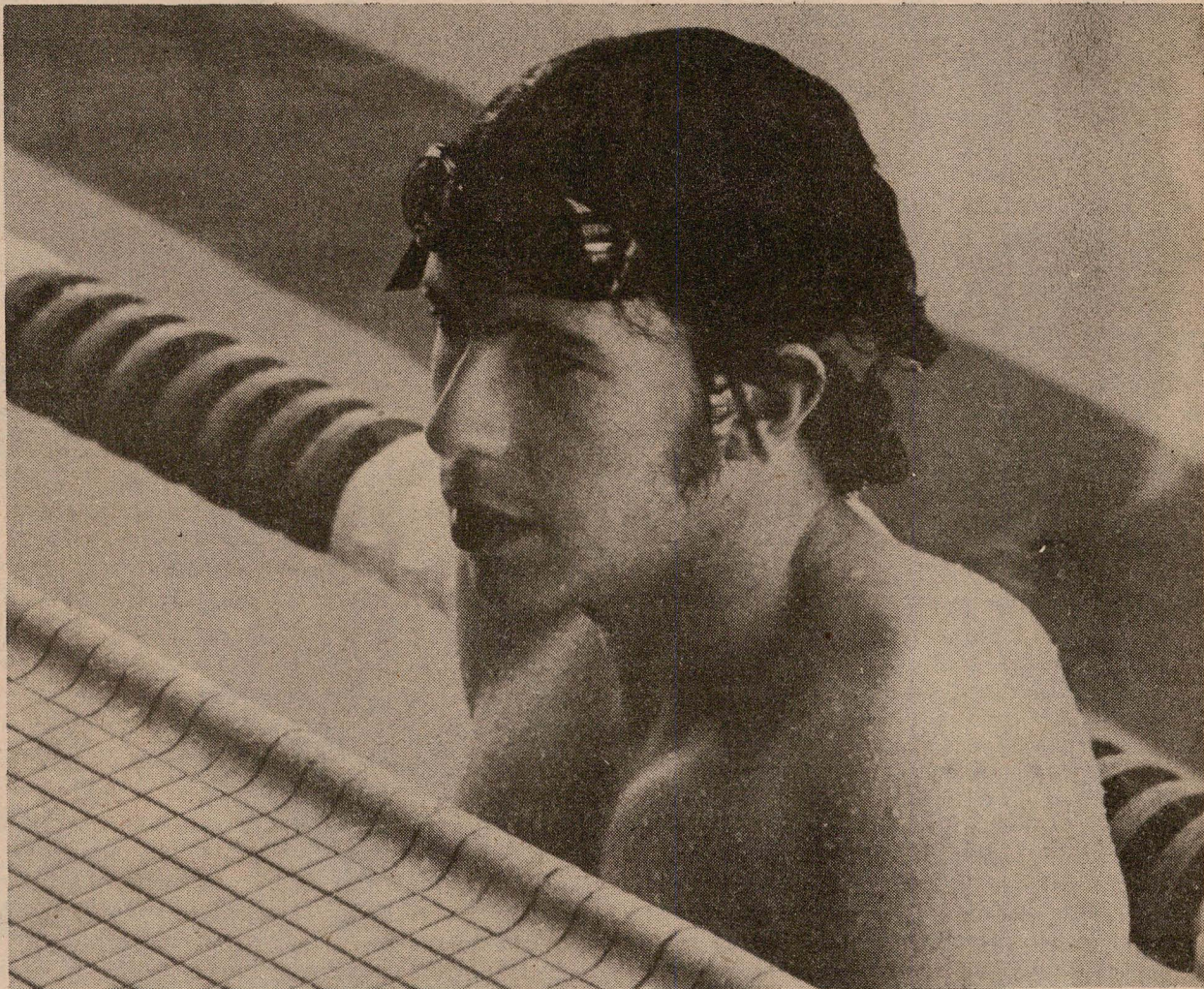
The Saints are bound to win sooner or later. Maybe it will be next week.

New England 26, New York Jets 16

This was almost my pick for upset of the week. The Patriots have more problems with the Jets than any other team.

Cleveland 31, Chicago 20

The Browns are playing very good football as a team. The Bears have Payton and 10 spectators on offense.



A man out of water

Paul Haas, a member of the Aquarius swim team, teakes a break following a recent practice. Haas

and other members of the swim team will take to the water Nov. 16 to raise money for CFC.

Swimmers swim for funds

The Presidio Aquarius Swim Team will take to the water Nov. 16 to raise money for the Combined Federal Campaign.

Beginning Monday members of the team will be going door-to-door seeking sponsors for the Swim-for-Fun.

Sponsors will be asked to pledge money for each length of the post swimming pool swim. The youngsters have two hours and cannot swim more than 200 lengths.

This is the second year the group has undertaken the project. Their 1979 effort netted CFC more than \$250.

In addition to planning for the fund raising swim, the Aquarians recently competed in a meet in Benicia. Here's the results:

6-year-old and under

Jennifer Askew, fourth, 25-yard freestyle.

8-year-old and under

Cheryl Lockett, first, 25-yard freestyle, fourth 25-yard butterfly; Danad Oxley, fourth, 50-yard backstroke, eighth, 25-yard breaststroke; Jennifer Bhalla, fifth, 50-yard backstroke; Wendy Siefert, fifth, 50-yard breaststroke, sixth, 25-yard butterfly, eighth, 100-yard individual medley.

10-year-old and under

Lisa Langeliers, fourth, 50-yard butterfly, freestyle and 100-yard backstroke; Polly Slisz, second, 50-yard backstroke, 100-yard backstroke and freestyle and individual medley and 200-yard individual medley; third 50-yard butterfly, freestyle and breaststroke, seventh, 50-yard butterfly.

13 and 14 year olds

Donna Hibbs, second, 100-yard breaststroke, third, 100-yard butterfly, sixth 50-yard freestyle; Blanca Castillo, first, 50-yard freestyle, third, 100-yard butterfly, fourth, 100-yard freestyle, fifth, 100-yard breaststroke, sixth, 100-yard backstroke; David Lockett, seventh, 100-yard backstroke; Carol Mehinsky, first 100-yard breaststroke; Melva George, third, 100-yard breaststroke.

15 to 18 year old

Lisa Guinn, first, 100-yard butterfly, second, 200-yard backstroke, fourth, 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke; Meg Halsey, third, 100 and 200-yard backstroke, sixth, 100-yard breaststroke; Paul Haas, fourth, 100-yard freestyle and breaststroke, seventh, 200-yard backstroke; Victor Castillo, first, 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle, backstroke, butterfly, 400-yard individual medley, second 100-yard breaststroke and 200-yard backstroke.

The Aquarius Swim team is open to any interested dependents. Practices are held at the Letterman pool Monday through Friday from 4 to 6 p.m.

USAG blasts past LAMC 15-6

The battle between the undefeated occurred last week with a fired-up USAG team narrowly defeating LAMC No. 1, 15-6.

After stopping Eric Randolph and company, USAG scored on their first series with a two-yard run by quarterback Glen Turner with 2:03 remaining in the first quarter. The score was set up by a 38-yard pass from Turner to Author Britton. The point after was successful with Turner completing a pass to the end zone to William Randolph and USAG taking the lead, 8-0.

LAMC bounced back with 2:14 remaining in the half, when Randolph scampered 43-yards to the end zone and narrowed the score to 8-6. The conversion was unsuccessful.

In the opening minutes of the second half, both teams generated a great deal of excitement, but no points were scored.

After taking the opening kick-off, USAG methodically marched downfield but could

penetrate no further than the five yard line. LAMC's Lynwood Barnes, intercepted a Turner pitch-out and raced 72 yards before he was caught from behind at the two yard line. On the next play, USAG's Fred Lewis picked off a Randolph pass in the end zone to preserve USAG's two point lead.

The remaining score of the game came with 1:01 remaining in the game. Britton scored on a three-yard dive into the end zone and the PAT after was good giving USAG a 15-6 victory.

Scores from other games are as follows:

548th/97th Ordnance over Public Health, 22-0
Oakland Army Base over LAMC No. 2, 18-6
OARB over LAMC No. 2, 18-6
LAMC No. 1 over 864th Engineers, 14-0
Public Health over LAMC No. 2, 16-14
Four Seasons vs. LAMC No. 2, 9-8

Presidio News Notes

Parking permits on sale

Parking permits will be sold Nov. 3 through 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Bldg. 36, the Provost Marshal's Office. After Nov. 7 permits may be purchased in room 108 of building 35 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

October permits will be honored through Nov. 7.

Community Center open

Eligible groups, units or persons wishing to use the **Presidio Community Center**, formerly the Log Cabin, should contact Mrs. Hawkins at 561-4384 Monday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m.

LAMC tour planned

The Letterman Women's Club will have a tour of LAMC and luncheon on Nov. 13. There will be an introductory briefing presented by Maj. Gen. Floyd. W. Baker selected tours of the working areas of the medical center, concluding with a complimentary luncheon at the LAMC dining facility.

The activities will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Torney Hall located at the left of the barber shop on the first floor of LAMC, with lunch being served at 12:30. Reservations must be made no later than Monday, by calling 561-3603 in San Francisco or 897-0851 in Marin.

More bags on MAC

Presidio soldiers traveling on **Military Air-lift Command (MAC)** flights can now check two pieces of luggage "free" under a recent change to MAC baggage rules.

Previously, soldiers traveling on MAC flights were limited to 66 pounds of baggage. Under the new system which covers military as well as civilian charter flights, soldiers' baggage allowances are based on package weight, according to MAC officials.

Each piece of luggage may not be larger than 62 linear inches—length plus width plus height—nor more than 70 pounds, they explain.

One piece of luggage—not more than 45 linear inches—may be hand carried on the aircraft.

Soldiers carrying more than the allowances will be charged a flat rate of 18 percent, say the officials.

One exception to the weight and size limits is the allowance for soldiers to check one duffel, B-4 or sea bag regardless of its weight or size.



A glittering jewel

Anthony Burgess of the 504th MP Battalion is the winner of the Photo of the Week contest with this picture of San Francisco city hall. The photo will

now go on to compete for the Photo of the Quarter award. The Star Presidian is always looking for entries to the contest.

Trick or Treat

Halloween hours set for 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, caution urged for kids

Post authorities have issued a host of safety notices to children and parents regarding trick or treating tomorrow between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. as Halloween comes to the Presidio.

According to Sgt. James Benishek of the Crime Prevention Office, the warnings affect not only those trick or treating tomorrow, but residents of the post's housing areas as well.

Noting that Halloween is a favorite time for vandals and thieves to strike, Benishek urges

post residents to take special care to insure that valuables and items such as bicycles are secured.

In addition Benishek says that trick or treaters and their parents should follow some simple safety rules for the evening:

- Children should be accompanied by adults
- Would be ghosts and goblins should travel in groups rather than individually
- Parents should check over candy and other items collected to insure that it has not been tampered with

• Children should wear light colored clothing when out on the streets.

The Presidio Provost Marshal's Office confirmed Monday that it was tightening up patrols on post and will be keeping a special eye on traffic. They ask that children keep on the sidewalks as an added safety measure.

Benishek asks that anyone observing suspicious persons or activities to call the MP desk at 561-2252/2251.

Careerists get to try CONUS-to-CONUS re-up option

Career soldiers will have a new reenlistment option beginning Nov. 1.

According to SFC Nilger Moore, post reenlistment NCO, **soldiers in grades E-6 and below with less than 14 years of service for pay may be eligible to participate in a six month expansion of the CONUS-to-CONUS option.**

A test program, the new option will offer soldiers currently stationed in the continental United States the option of reenlisting for cer-

tain other CONUS posts.

Currently Forts Ord, Carson, and Stewart are available as choices, but Moore expects more posts to be added. "I have to be honest though," he added, "these posts are likely to be 'garden spots' such as Forts Polk or Riley.

They will also more than likely be posts which are under strength for the middle grade NCO's."

Moore points out that soldiers must meet the qualifications in chapter 2 of AR 601-280.

"Those interested in the program should choose two or three preferences. If these aren't available, MILPERCEN will make an offer and the soldier will have 72 hours to decide," states Moore.

Career soldiers can not apply to reenlist more than 120 days before their ETS, but Moore urges them to contact him or their unit reenlistment NCO when they are within six months of the separation date.

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California goes to war Tuesday

by Bob Mahoney

A new exhibit called "California Goes to War" will officially open at the Presidio Army Museum at 2:30 p.m., Nov. 11, one of a few Veteran's day observances scheduled for the city of San Francisco.

The exhibit, co-sponsored by the 91st Division (Training) of the Army Reserve (also known as "San Francisco's Own"), will feature 1000 square feet of exhibits, including some of the most valuable acquisitions ever made by the museum.

According to Eric Saul, museum curator, the exhibit will serve as a "permanent record on the history of the military from California and the San Francisco Bay Area who served their country so well during World War II."

The exhibit will tell the story of World War II through artifacts, photographs, uniforms, documents, weapons and other memorabilia from not only the European and Asian-Pacific theaters of war but from the homefront as well.

On display will be approximately 16 mannequins in display cases, a recreation of a German bunker and recreation of a command post manned by the 91st Division "somewhere in Italy, 1944."

Also featured in the display will be the dress uniform of General "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell, the surrender sword of Gen. Yamashita who was known as the "Tiger of Malaya," copies of the actual surrender documents given to Gen. Douglas MacArthur after the surrender of the Japanese in 1945, German uniforms, ration books and many posters.

"The opening ceremonies will be in keeping with the theme of the exhibit," added Saul. "We will have historical reenactment groups wearing uniforms from both World Wars I and II. They will have a collection of World War II armored vehicles, jeeps, half tracks and even a genuine World War I ambulance."

Also featured as part of the ceremony will be



A trip back in time

This is one of many displays which are part of the "California Goes to War," exhibit which opens at the Presidio Army Museum on Nov. 11. The

the firing of two cannons by these reenactment groups. Saul says that these cannons will be actual "working survivors" of the World War I and World War II era.

The exhibit will become a permanent part of

exhibit honors the 91st division of the U. S. Army Reserves. On hand will be a German bunker and lots of other momentos. (Photo by John Green)

the Presidio Army Museum. The museum is open to the public Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The museum is accessible by public transportation, through MUNI routes 28, 43 and 45.

Ghouls scare up blood donors

John Sargeant lets out a 'blood curdling' scream as he is attacked by Dracula (McDaniel Hopson) and his bride (Billie Jo Fagan). The gruesome two-some visited post offices trying to scare up donors for the quarterly blood drive. More than 500 persons showed up to donate 433 pints of blood. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

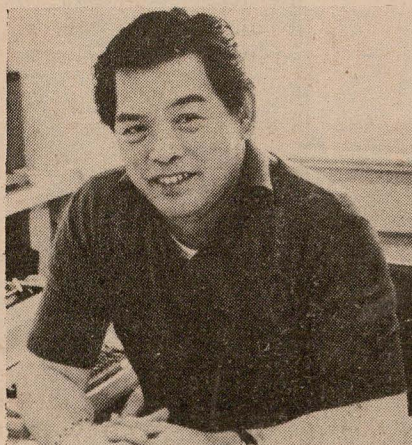


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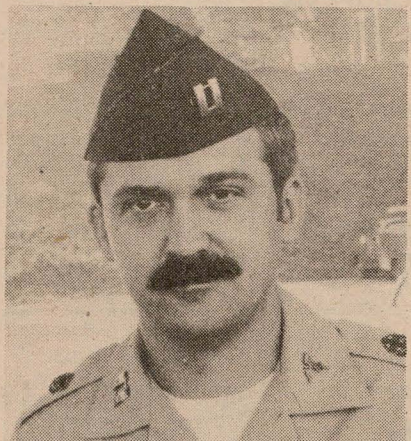
What did you think of All-American Week?

Sp5 Kevin Wilburn, Transportation—"I was in the parade and I got a chance to get out and enjoy the festivities. I think it was a great idea."



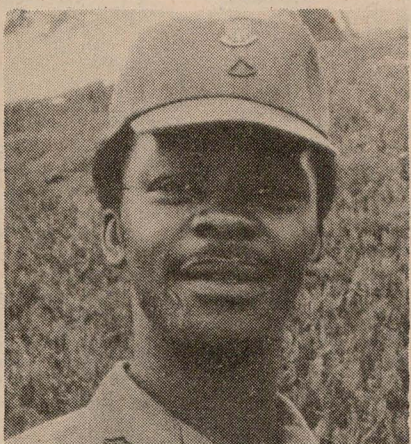
Richard Mark, Welcome Center—"I thought it was pretty good. I would have liked to see some different groups though. I think the celebration could have been a little better organized and spread out over a bigger area like Crissy Field."

Capt. John Yasalonis, LAMC—"I thought it was exceptionally well done. It was much better than having lost time throughout the year for different ethnic events."



Christina Rosales, CPO—"I think it was interesting and a lot of fun. It was the first time I have been to something like that and I think it was a good idea. People get a chance to learn about different cultures and try different foods."

PFC Ervin Gadsen, 170th MP Co.—"I think it was a good thing for the morale of the troops. We ought to do things like this more often. I think it brought everyone together."



Dump of the week

Apparently some people can't read because garbage has been accumulated near this 'no dumping sign' on

Washington Blvd. Areas such as this have been receiving special attention during post clean-up week

Old soldiers never die

General Douglas MacArthur said at the end of his career, "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away."

What a sad commentary on this nation's attitude towards its veterans. Whether intentional or not, Americans seem to forget about those who have served this country in times of war and peace.

Too often we read in the papers or see on the television the stories of veterans who have fallen on hard times but whose pleas for help have fallen on deaf ears.

Too many graves go year after year undecorated even with a tiny American flag on Veterans Day.

Yes, it seems that when a person has finished his service to this nation we wave good-bye and turn our backs as he or she heads to a new life in the civilian world.

Perhaps this is because being a veteran has lost its significance. Too few of us remember the great joy 62 years ago when World War I came to an end. We have forgotten the honored place reserved for the returning "heroes."

The joy of the end of the war seems to have died through the years. The questioning of American participation in Vietnam seems to have made patriotism a dreaded disease.

We can not, however, turn out backs on the men and women who have given so much to our nation. They have served and in many cases died, so that we could have the rights and freedoms we enjoy.

This Nov. 11 let us renew our concern for our veterans and show them that Americans still care what happens to them.

The Editor

Ben Swig served his country

Benjamin H. Swig's death last week was a big loss for the city of San Francisco. His passing was also felt here at the Presidio.

Swig once said he felt a little guilty that he had never served his country, so he compensated by being an active supporter of the military.

Unlike other supporters, Swig did more than just speak up for the military, he gave of his time and effort. In fact the last 18 years of his life were spent as a civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army, an astonishing nine terms in that position.

It was through the advice and support provided by men like Ben Swig that many of the changes in today's Army were conceived and brought about.

It was also through the actions of Ben Swig and other San Franciscans that the Presidio remains an active military installation, today.

Ben Swig should never have felt guilty about not serving his country. Through his generosity and tireless efforts, he served the people of San Francisco and the country very well.

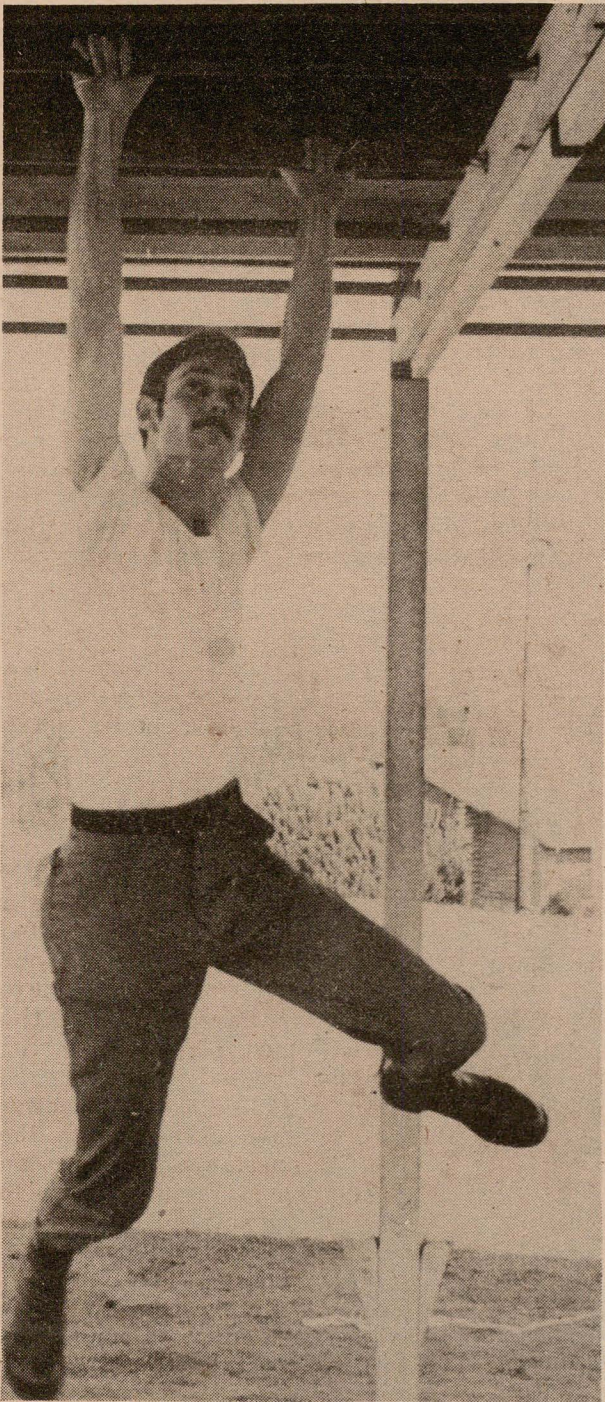
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Three event PT test approved



Just hanging around

Sp5 Jon Chelgren does the horizontal ladders during the recent PT test. But this event will not be on the new test. (Photo by Tom Tiernan)

Presidio soldiers who participated in unit PT programs and who can't run two miles may find themselves in trouble when the next PT test comes along.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. E. C. Meyer has approved a new three event PT test and a two-mile run for soldiers over 40 years of age.

The new test will include pushups, sit-ups, and the two mile run.

According to DA officials, the standards for the new test are tougher but soldiers will have two minutes to complete the push-up and sit-ups.

Both men and women will take the new test which also eliminates the female version of the push-up.

To pass the test, soldiers must score at least 60 points in each event and have a total score of 180 points. Soldiers in basic training need only score 160 points.

Soldiers will be tested twice a year under the three-event test with at least four months time between record tests.

The new test will be used after Nov. 30.

Before a soldier can take part in the over-40 program, medical clearance must be given by an Army doctor. The DA Surgeon General will issue new medical screening procedures for the over 40 programs. The screening process is a special heart attack risk analysis. (This process is still under study).

Once the soldier has been cleared, a six-month

conditioning program will be completed before the two-mile run test will be given.

According to officials of the Directorate of Plans, Security and Training, Presidio soldiers should expect to see the new test sometime next year.

The following are the standards that must be achieved in order to pass the test. The first figure shown in each column is the minimum number needed to pass, the second is the number needed to score the maximum 100 points in each event.

Age	Pushups	Situps	2-mile run
17-25	40/68	40/69	17:55/13:05
26-30	38/66	38/67	18:30/13:40
31-35	33/61	36/65	19:10/14:20
36-39	32/60	34/63	19:35/15:05
Women Under 40			
17-25	16/40	27/61	22:14/17:10
26-30	15/38	25/51	22:29/17:25
31-35	14/34	23/41	24:04/19:00
36-39	13/30	21/31	25:34/20:30

Soldiers over 40 will be tested in the two-mile run only, officials say. These soldiers will be graded on a go/no go basis. Over-40 two-mile run standards.

Age	Men	Women
40-45	20 minutes	26 minutes
46-50	21 minutes	27 minutes
51-55	22 minutes	28 minutes
56-60	23 minutes	29 minutes

CID investigating silverware rip-off from Mason O'Club

The criminal Investigation Command is investigating the theft of \$4700 worth of silverware from the Fort Mason Officers' Club last Wednesday.

According to Maj. Robert Meybin of the Presidio Provost Marshal's Office, the theft occurred between the hours of 2 and 6 a.m. The silverware belonged to the Officers' Wives Club.

Meybin says that thefts of silver and gold items are on the increase throughout the country and that they pose a special problem for investigators.

"Because the price of gold and silver are up," he explains, "and because stolen items can be melted down so easily, they are impossible to trace. Once they are melted down into ingots, a thief doesn't have to worry about fencing them."

"People are asking for trouble," says Meybin, "when they leave silverware out unsecured."

He suggests that persons have such items keep them locked up or even stored away in safe deposit boxes.



A bunch of little 'demons'

These little 'demons' recently paraded their Halloween outfits around post. The youngsters attended the Presidio Nursery School. The school receives monthly funds from the Bay Area United Way which is supported by contributions to the Combined

Federal Campaign. The 1980 CFC drive is currently underway. Donations may be made in cash or through the payroll deduction system. Contact your unit or agency keyperson for more information. (Photo by John Green)

Operator shortage may mean delays for telephone users

Officials from the Directorate of Communications and Electronics are urging Presidio phone users to bear with them.

The officials note that they are "really strapped" and it may cause delays in getting a hold of post operators for assistance in placing calls.

Mrs. Anne Gricich, operations chief for USACC, says that the situation is a two fold problem.

"First, we are short of military telephone operators," she explains. "There is a gap between departures of our people and replacements coming in. Our second problem, is the fact that we are supporting the MOBEX exercise at Sixth Army."

What that means to Presidio callers is that they could experience long delays in getting operator assisted calls-like WATS-completed.

According to Mrs. Gricich, the problem will remain until replacements arrive in December.

"What we are encouraging people to do," she says, is if they can't get a hold of an operator the first time try again.

She and Lt. Col. Charles Gorlinski, director of the Communications and Electronics, caution people not to give up on the post switchboard and place calls through regular commercial lines.

"When people call commercial," says Mrs. Gricich, "our costs are more expensive than through the WATS system."

VHA applies while soldiers PCS

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a second and final part of this story. Part one appeared in the Oct. 30 issue.)

by Tom Tiernan

With the passage of the Nunn-Warner amendment and its signing into law by President Jimmy Carter, the Variable Housing Allowance was added to the soldier's benefit package.

VHA is designed to help soldiers entitled to BAQ to defray housing costs in CONUS. It is paid on a daily basis according to the number of days in a month.

The rates differ throughout the country and are determined by military housing areas, which are areas with similar costs by grade and quality of housing.

Entitlement to VHA begins and ends with the soldiers eligibility for BAQ. It is paid at both the with and without dependents rate.

Single soldiers who draw a rebate, are not entitled to VHA.

The allowance is paid to the soldier based on the area where he works and not where he is assigned or lives.

Soldiers who reenlist and sell back their leave are not entitled to a lump sum VHA payment.

VHA is paid to soldiers while they PCS. The rate is paid at the old duty station through the day prior to the date he reports to a new permanent or TDY station.

When a soldier is on an unaccompanied or "all others" tour he is entitled to VHA based on the primary residence of his dependents. If they move, however, the finance and accounting office must be notified so that adjustment or cancellation of the VHA can be made if necessary.

Soldiers on with dependent tours in Hawaii,

Alaska or Puerto Rico who live on the economy at that, he will not receive VHA.

If a soldier resides in an area which does not qualify him VHA, but his duty station does, he will receive the allowance. If, however, he receives overseas orders and his family remains at their present location, he will not receive VHA.

The VHA is a complex allowance and soldiers with questions should contact the post finance and accounting office for answers.

(CORRECTION: Last week we said that soldiers living at Hamilton Air Force Base would be entitled to VHA. That was incorrect. What we meant to say was that soldiers living in Marin County and working at the Presidio would receive VHA at the rate for PSF.)

Bike accident victim stands up

by Jon Chelgren

Sgt. Donna Farmer stood up Monday.

For her, it was "exciting." It was the first time she had been able to do so since a bicycle accident Aug. 10.

It was then that the 504th MP Battalion NCO was struck from the rear while bicycling along Ocean Boulevard near the Cliff House. After the car struck her, she flew 60 feet and ended up with fractures of both hips, a broken arm and extensive internal bleeding.

Farmer spent a month in intensive care at San Francisco General Hospital before being transferred to Letterman Army Medical Center for rehabilitation and physical therapy.

The driver of the automobile that hit her was charged with felonious hit and run.

Despite her extensive injuries, Farmer considers herself lucky.

"The thing that saved me," she says, "was my helmet. If I hadn't been wearing it I wouldn't have made it."

She credits the helmet with protecting her from serious head injuries which often result in bike accidents.

A serious biker since 1973, Farmer says she has toured extensively both here and in Europe.

This is her first real accident on a bike and she says that nothing could have prevented it.

"I was in the bike lane," she says, "and I was doing everything I should have."

Still, she says that many bike riders should pay more attention to safety when they are out on the road.

"I was outside the other day," she says, "and I couldn't believe what I saw. There was a woman riding a bike with her child on the crossbar. Neither one of them had helmets on and the kid wasn't even strapped to the bike."

In addition to the helmet, Farmer says that bike riders can do much to protect themselves. She cites riding gloves as a good place to start because they protect the hands in the case of a fall.

She claims that toe clips on the pedals not only give riders more power, but also keep their feet on the pedals.

Bikers should also, Farmer stresses, make sure that their bikes are in good repair before taking to the road.

Although she says that she has always been safety conscious, Farmer is a bit more aware since the accident of the unsafe practices of other bikers. She says that many riders are asking for trouble by riding on the wrong side of the road or riding at night without lights.

Looking ahead to a day when she will once again be able to ride, Farmer says there is no way of predicting how long it will take her to recover.

But she smiles and adds, "I'll be on crutches by the end of the week."



Don't flip your lid

Members of the Letterman Army Medical Center's martial arts team perform during All-American Week. The group was just one of many to participate in the five day celebration. The

marital artists voluntarily performed at the event after many weeks of practice.

(Photo by Scott Newsome)

Cultural celebration a big hit

There were thousands of attendees, thousands of pounds of meat sold, gallons of drinks drunk and millions of musical notes played.

It was a celebration of American culture and All-American Week drew people from around the Bay Area together during the five day event.

The week began with a colorful ceremony attended by San Francisco Supervisor Louise Renne who presented Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, a commendation from the Board of Supervisors. Mayor Dianne Feinstein couldn't attend but sent a proclamation declaring it All-American Week in the city of San Francisco.

KNBR radio personalities Frank Dill and Carter B. Smith were on hand to MC the event and Turk Murphy and his band performed free of charge.

The San Francisco 49ers sent rookie

linebacker Craig Puki to sign autographs and talk to fans. While post youngsters smashed pinatas for the sweet rewards inside.

In addition to music and dance there was food from around the world. Burritos, ribs, yaki-tori, stuffed grape leaves, pizza, egg rolls and other mouth watering treats were available all week long.

The 170th MP Company displayed Vietnamese artifacts owned by members of the units.

Western and Spanish artist displayed their paintings while a local importer sold items from Greece.

Reaction to the week was good with many soldiers, civilians and dependents saying they hoped the week would be repeated next year. KNBR radio pledged its support for the 1981.

(See reaction on page 2)

Early holiday reservations urged

by Tom Tiernan

Although it may not be beginning to look a lot like Christmas, airline ticket agents are beginning to be snowed in with reservations for the coming holiday season.

According to officials at the post Schedule Airline Ticket office, many promotional fares, such as the super saver fare are already full. And those still open require advance reservation.

"We recommend that people make their reservations soon and pick up their tickets at the earliest possible date because several increases in rates are due in the next month," warns Mr. Bryce Jansen, manager of the SATO.

Jansen also recommends that individuals make their reservations with the airlines and then let the SATO office know what arrangements have been made and the folks there will write up the ticket. This will save people a trip downtown or to the airline office.

The SATO office is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Families planning to travel by train should also make their reservations right away. According to a railroad spokesman they are rapidly approaching the sold out level, especially on long distance trains.

The trains offer military discounts for travel and family fares for every day but Friday and Sunday.

Traveling by train can be accomplished by one of two classes, either coach or sleeping car. Coach seats recline for sleeping, while the sleeping car offers beds and seats in one room.

If you plan to travel during the holiday season, we recommend the following:

- Avoid peak travel days, Dec. 19-23 and the weekend immediately following the new year. This will help you avoid crowds and confusion at the airport.

- Allow extra time to get to the airport and check in. Last year San Francisco International Airport experienced huge traffic jams and park-



We have a flight at o-dark-thirty

Jean Capps of the Schedule Airlines Ticket Office checks flight times for a customer. Officials urge

those planning trips during the holidays to make their reservations as soon as possible.

ing spaces, short and long term, quickly disappeared.

- Christmas presents should be packed in suitcases and checked before boarding. Since all packages being carried aboard the plane must go through security, it may be necessary to unwrap them first.

- Parents with infants should bring along a small bottle with milk or juice in it for take offs and landings to help the child avoid the pain of his ears popping. The sucking and swallowing will help avoid this painful situation. Older children should be given gum or hard candy.

- Since travel delays often occurred during the

holiday season, it is recommended that parents bring along games and books to help children occupied on the plane and in the airport. Cookies or crackers should also be carried to help take the bite off the appetite.

- Leave pets at home if possible.

- Most airlines pre-board families with small children or elderly persons. If this applies to you, check with the ticket agent.

- Carry make-up, medication, and sunglasses in a carry on flight bag just in case your luggage gets lost.

And finally, be prepared, reserve ahead and have a good trip.

Annual leave

Post civilians must use or lose their earned time-off before Nov. 30

Few civilian employees at the Presidio are facing a "use or lose" situation on their annual leave according to Roy Mori, chief of civilian personnel's Management Employee Relations Branch.

"It's not a serious problem," added Mori. "But there are some people in the 'use or lose' category who should be aware as to how they can save this potentially lost leave"

Mori outlined the details of the retention process. "In order to save this leave, employees must have scheduled the leave prior to the beginning

of the third pay period before the end of the leave year. This year, that date is Nov. 30.

"Further, mission requirements must be such that this scheduled leave could not be taken. If mission requirements do allow the leave to be taken and the employee fails to do so, the leave is lost," he continued.

A second provision for retention of this leave is in the case of illness. According to Mori, "When annual leave is scheduled and then illness prevents this leave from being fulfilled, the leave

may be restored if certain procedures are followed."

Mori says that he expects fewer requests for leave restoration this year. "It is the supervisor's obligation to ensure that annual leave is planned and scheduled throughout the year to give every employee the opportunity to use the earned leave. Our supervisors have been very good about meeting this obligation," he concluded.

More information on how potentially lost leave can be retained is available from Mori's office at 561-2840.

Five more offer 50 percent air fare cut

Presidio soldiers planning on taking leave in the next five months may be able to get as much as **50 percent of their airline fares.**

According to Mr. Robert Glynn of the Transportation Division, five other major airlines have joined **Trans World Airlines (TWA)** in offering a 50 percent reduction for active duty military personnel training on leave or pass.

American, Continental, United, U.S. Air and Western Airlines agreed to offer the reduction on a trial basis which began Oct. 15. The program will end Mar. 31, 1981 for all airlines except U.S. Air which has not set a date.

The discount is offered on selected routes by American Continental, United and Western Airlines, while TWA and U.S. Air discounts apply to all routes in the United States.

Active Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine, and Coast Guard personnel traveling on leave or pass at their own expense are eligible for the discount. Servicemembers must present their green identification cards to buy tickets under the trial program, says Glynn.

Personnel who have been discharged from active duty and whose travel is completed within seven days after the date of discharge are also eligible for the reduced

fares. They must present their separation orders to buy tickets.

The 50 percent discount will not be available for travel on Dec. 19, 20, and 24 or Jan. 3, 4, and 5. In addition the new fares do not apply to travel overseas.

Twenty-three other airlines continue to offer a 25 percent furlough fare discount. Military Traffic Management command officials are hopeful other airlines will join the 50 percent trial program.

American, Continental, United and Western Airlines will continue offering a 25 percent furlough fare discount on their flights which don't offer the 50 percent reduction.

Time to spare

Festivals, Coral Sea open house this week

The **Harvest Festival** starts tomorrow at Brooks Hall from noon to 10 p.m. The event features arts and crafts, juggling, comedy, food and a corn husking contest.

The festival continues Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and is repeated Nov. 14 through 16.

The **1980 San Francisco Hi Fi Stereo Music Show** starts tomorrow at the Civic Auditorium. The show features displays and demonstrations by audio and video equipment manufacturers and runs tomorrow from 5 to 10 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 7 p.m.

A **vaudeville showcase** runs tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Belrose Studio Theater in San Rafael. The show is complete with skits, blackouts, dancers, singers, musicians, mimes and clowns. The Belrose is located on at 1415 Fifth Ave. in San Rafael.

Saturday, the **USS Coral Sea** will hold an **open house** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Naval Air Station Alameda. In addition to the aircraft carrier itself, the open house will have a variety of special exhibits including displays of the aircraft normally launched from the Coral Sea's decks.

A **Comic book convention** is scheduled for all day Saturday at the Finnish Brotherhood Hall in Berkeley. The convention includes trivia contests, art displays, auctions, and an appearance by Rick Hoberg. The Brotherhood Hall is located at 1970 Chestnut Ave. in Berkeley.

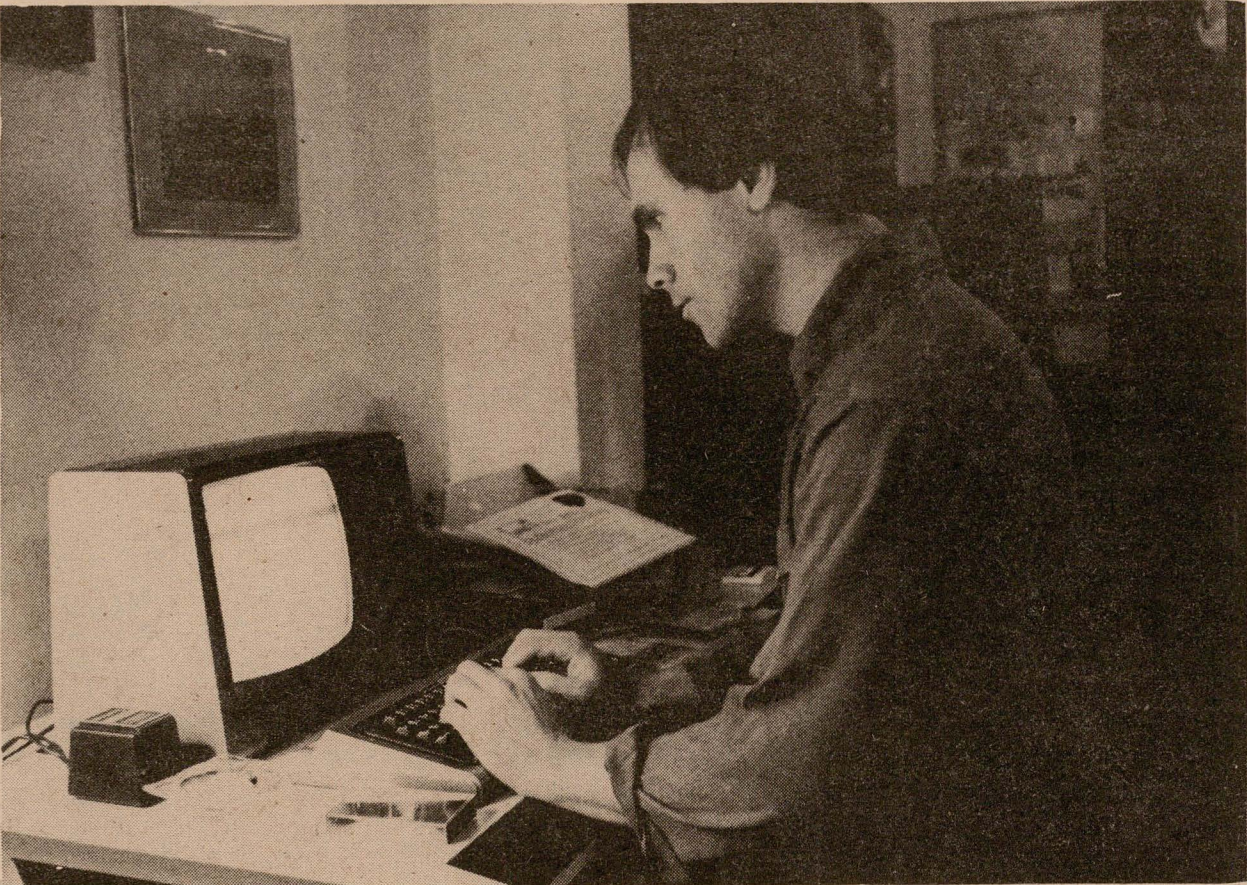
A **country fair**—featuring holiday decorations and gifts, games, entertainment and food—will run all day Saturday at the Fireman's Fund off Highway 101 at Lucas Valley in San Rafael.

Saturday there will be a **Science fiction celebration** at the Comics and Comix Bookstore in Berkeley from noon to 4 p.m. The show will be hosted by John Stanley, host of "Creative Features." Joining Stanley will be Bay Area science fiction writers Richard Lupoff, Chelsea Quinn Yarborough and Marion Zimmer Bradley. The Comics and Comix Bookstore is located at 2461 Telegraph Ave. in Berkeley.

The Presidio Recreation Center still has spaces open for its **wine country tour** Nov. 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Price of the tour is \$8 per person.

The center also has **tickets for Oakland Raiders and San Francisco 49ers home games** for \$5 and \$9 respectively.

New **Diners Out** booklets are available through the Rec Center. The new booklets, valid through 1982, allow persons to get two meals at



Talking computer talk

John Bruno, a student intern at the Rec Center operates the TRS-80 computer which will be

participating restaurants for the price of one. The cost of the booklets is \$16.

The Rec Center is gearing up now for December **gift wrapping classes**. The classes will offer instruction in how to wrap Christmas gifts as well as provide space and materials to wrap presents.

Also coming up in December, the Rec Center will have its **TRS-80 computer** available for use. A series of classes will be offered during the month, and the computer and computer games will be available for use then.

For information on any Recreation Center offerings or activities, call 561-2000 after 2 p.m. daily.

A **ski orientation class** will be held Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Presidio Playhouse.

The class, which includes ski safety and equipment care instructions, is **mandatory for persons wishing to check out ski equipment** from the Outdoor Recreation Center.

available to patrons in December. The Rec Center also has many discount tickets available.

To sign up for the class, persons should call 561-4324/4356.

Here's a list of upcoming concerts in the Bay Area.

Bob Dylan
Nov. 9-19, 8 p.m.
Warfield Theater

Jethro Tull
Nov. 9, 8 p.m.
Oakland Coliseum

Rick Nelson and the Stone Canyon Band
Nov. 21-22
Boarding House

Poco
Nov. 17, 8 p.m.
San Jose Civic Center

Sammy Davis Jr. and Della Reese
Nov. 21-23
Circle Star Theater

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater		
Nov. 6	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	Benji (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 8	Good Guys Wear Black (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Raise the Titanic (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Raise the Titanic (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 11	The Hearse (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	And Justice for All (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 13	Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Schwartz Theater		
Nov. 6	The Fifth Floor (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	The Last Flight of Noah's Ark (G)	7 p.m.

Nov. 10	Dressed To Kill (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 11	Hog Wild (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	Heart Beat (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 13	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

The **Fifth Floor** is based on a true story of a California woman who was mistakenly committed to a mental hospital. Dianne Hull plays the woman wrongly committed. Bo Hopkins is the evil hospital attendant. Patti D'Arbanville and Sharon Fell are two of the patients and Mel Ferrer and Julie Adams are a psychiatrist and a nurse.

Letterman to host weight seminars

Letterman's Social Work Services is offering a weight control seminar for interested personnel beginning today from 11 a.m. to noon in building 1050.

The seminar brings together specialists in six areas to help participants tailor diets to their needs. Participants will be offered advice in the medical aspects of dieting, exercise, stress reduction and diet methods.

The seminar continues on Thursdays through Dec. 18. Persons wanting to participate but unable to attend today's session are still eligible to join the program next week.

For more information contact Mary Anne Ward or Sp5 Dale Hill at 561-2174/2175/2176.

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

The **Star Presidian** once again presents its very own "peerless pigskin prognosticator," Jimmy the Freak, and his picks for the week.

According to Jimmy, Presidio football fans can look forward to:

Cincinnati 24 vs. Oakland 20

(Upset of the Week) It's a well-known fact that the Bengals have some of the best talent in the league. Look for everything to gel against the Raiders.

San Francisco 20 vs. Green Bay 16

It's a case of who's a little less horrid. There's a tremendous lack in the Pack.

Dallas 34 vs. New York Giants 13

No contest. New York is the home of "chumpians."

Pittsburgh 28 vs. Tampa Bay 17

A case of one of the worst quarterbacks trying to beat one of the best, an failing.

Chicago 23 vs. Washington 13

There's going to be a lot of changes in Washington this time next year—including from this year's roster of inept Redskins.

Atlanta 30 vs. St. Louis 17

Look for Atlanta to unseat the Rams as division champs this year.

Baltimore 27 vs. Cleveland 23

Only because the Colts are playing at home. The Browns are suspect against good passing attacks and Baltimore has an excellent passer in Bert Jones.

Detroit 19 vs. Minnesota 16

Ed Murray will kick more field goals for the Lions than "what 'is name" will kick for the Vikes.

Buffalo 27 vs. New York 17

See my remarks for the Cowboys-Giants game.

San Diego 34 vs. Denver 20

The Chargers could easily make the Super Bowl this year.

Seattle 31 vs. Kansas City 23

The Seahawks are due. The Chiefs' concept of a long pass is a lateral to a halfback.

Los Angeles 20 vs. Miami 13

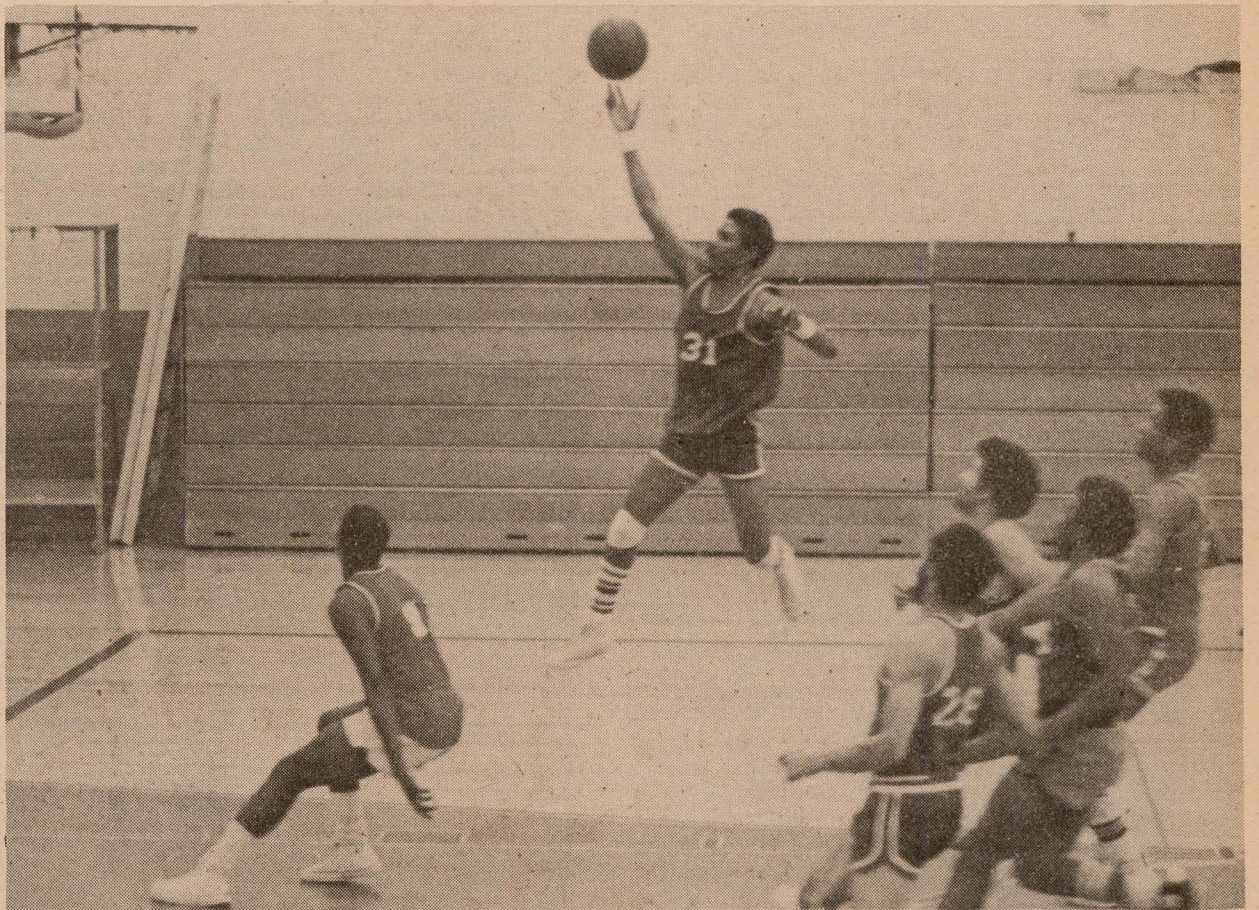
Look for a close game. The Dolphins will play for pride and their coach in this one.

Philadelphia 37 vs. New Orleans 10

The Saints are playing like sinners. They need a good exorcism.

New England 27 vs. Houston 23

If the Patriots can not stop Earl Campbell, reverse the above prediction.



Airborne player

In action from last season, a member of one of the post intramural teams seems airborne on his way to the basket. The men's and women's post teams

opened their 1980 season with run-away victories.

Men, women win

by Karl Gaffney

The season got off to a great start for both Presidio basketball team as the women trounced Treasure Island 101-8 and ran over Mather Air Force Base 52-40 while their male counterparts grounded the Mather men 114-85.

The Presidio women's two month pre-season preparation paid off in enormous dividends as they bolted out of the starting blocks completely destroying a hapless Treasure Island.

The Presidians simply dominated every phase of the game as they outran, outhustled and obviously outshot their opponents.

Leading the Presidio women were **Jean Ross** with 22 points, and **Tracy Duke** with 19 points.

In their second game the women were rudely awakened from their visions of grandeur by a tough and equally prepared Mather team.

Both teams played a very aggressive and defensive game, making each basket well earned

until late in the game when Presidio women sunk a couple of crucial outside jump shots to insure their 52-40 victory.

In their season opener, the Presidio men's team outgunner Mather 114-85.

The Presidians pulled out in front early in the game with outside jump shots by **Henry Dillard**, **James Allen** and **Artho Bradley**.

In addition to hitting the outside jump shot, a strong defense forced their opponents into a number of mistakes which the Presidians used to their advantage.

The second half was a replica for the first with the Presidio continuing to pour it on.

Defensive recognition goes to **Stanley Moss** who was a constant pain in the basket to the Mather team.

The teams will be home tomorrow with games starting at 6 and 8 p.m. in the main post gym.

Trio to run 49 Mile Drive

A Sixth Army officer and two Letterman NCOs are gearing up to run the entire 49-mile Scenic Drive Nov. 15 to raise funds for the Combined Federal Campaign.

The run by **Maj. Ralph Cruikshank**, **SSgt. Don Tompkins** and **Sp4 Tom Nemeth** will start at the Presidio Parade Field at 8 a.m. According to Cruikshank, the trio is hoping to finish up at the Marina Green by 3 p.m.

The runners will pass 11 check points on the route and Cruikshank encourages anyone interested in joining them to do so.

The check points include the Palace of the Legion of Honor, Sloat Boulevard and the Great

Highway, Sunset and Lincoln Boulevards Fell and Stanyan Streets, Twin Peaks at Woodside Boulevard, Mission Dolores, the Ferry Building, the Civic Center, Union Square, Coit Tower and Marina Green.

According to Cruikshank, the runners are expecting to average about times of about eight and a half minutes a mile.

"We are just hoping for a real cool day," Cruikshank says. "If it is hot, it will really hurt us."

Anyone interested in sponsoring the runners should contact Cruikshank at 561-3023.

Presidians 'bowl' over Beale

The Presidio Bowling Team traveled to Beale Air Force Base at Marysville on Sunday and won five out of six games in the Northern California Traveling League.

Presidio's Elite swept all three games from Beale No. 1 and then in an exciting comeback captured two of three games from Beale No. 2.

Standouts in the first set were **Floyd Hawkins**, 577 and **Jun Legarda** 575.

High scorers in the final match were **Roger Goodman** 599 and **Hawkins** 570.

Tony LeCroy, 190, has the high overall average on the tough Presidio team.

Presidio is currently in third place, one game behind Travis No. 1 and Travis No. 2 who are tied for first.

The Elite go on the road again on Nov. 16 to McClellan AFB where they will meet McClellan and Travis No. 1.

Presidio News Notes

DEERS office closed

The **DEERS office**, formerly located in building 38 has closed.

Individuals needing to enroll their dependents into the system should report to the customer service branch of COMPACT.

DEERS is the Defense Eligibility Enrollment System, which provides easier checks of those eligible to use government facilities such as Letterman Army Medical Center.

All dependents of active duty and retired military personnel should be enrolled in the system to avoid time consuming checks of their eligibility.

No more registration

The vehicle registration office of the Provost Marshal's office will issue stickers to persons who desire them so that they may enter other military bases on a request only basis. The supply of stickers is expected to be depleted by March, 1981.

The PMO will continue to issue handicapped stickers after that date.

Odd-even ends

Odd and even gasoline rationing has ended at the post gasoline station. Patrons may now fill-up any day of the week, but are still asked to conserve.

New dental plan coming

A representative of Blue Cross and Blue Shield will hold three sessions Nov. 14 to explain changes in the government wide service benefit plan which will include a dental plan.

The meetings will be held in Building 603 at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Each session will last about 45 minutes.

Employees should attend the session most convenient for them.

Good Turn Day set

Youths representing a variety of activities will be participating in Good Turn Day Nov. 15.

The day is sponsored by the Salvation Army and the youth participants from scouting organizations are helping out as a service project.

Youths will be canvassing post neighboring this Saturday asking for Presidians to collect reusable clothing and small household items and have them in plastic bags for pick up on Nov. 15.

The items will be turned in to the Salvation Army which will sell the goods through their thrift shop.

Salvation Army officials ask that persons wishing to donate larger items call them at 647-7000 to arrange for a pick up.

3.1 mile race planned

The **post cross country championship race** will be held Nov. 19, according to Mr. Karl Gaffney of the Sports Branch.

The race will begin at noon and cover 3.1 miles. Gaffney says the course will cover mostly hilly dirt trails starting from post gym number one.



A cloudy canopy

A lone parachutist floats to the ground. For capturing the action John Green took top honors in the Photo of the Week competition. If you have a

photo you'd like to see here, bring it by our newsroom in building 37.

Prices will be awarded to the top two military finishers in the following divisions:

Men	Women
29 years and under	All ages
30-39 years	
40 and older	

Entries for the race will be accepted beginning at 11:30 a.m. on race day.

For more information call 561-4120.

Recycling on Saturday

The monthly **recycling drive** is scheduled for Saturday between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Recycling officials ask that Presidians leave their old newspapers and aluminum cans out for youths involved in the drive to collect.

The profits from the recycling effort pay for a variety of youth activities on post.

New master's degree program scheduled to begin Jan. 21

Soldiers interested in obtaining a Masters of Business Administration degree in management or a MBA in health services administration should attend a meeting with representatives of Golden Gate University on Nov. 17 at 5 p.m. at the Presidio Community Center (formerly Log Cabin.)

Beginning Jan. 20, 1981, Golden Gate University will offer selected courses designed to lead to one of these degrees.

The Spring 1981 schedule will consist of two courses:

Financial Accounting for Managers, a three unit course, will meet on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:45 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center.

This course is required for all MBA candidates who have not already completed a year of introductory accounting.

Introduction to Health Care Administration, also a three unit course will meet on Wed-

nesday for 6 to 8:45 p.m. in Room AS3101 of the Letterman Army Institute of Research.

Interested individuals will be able to enroll in the programs at the Nov. 17 meeting. An alternative registration date will be held Dec. 9 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center.

Army tuition assistance will pay 75 percent of the tuition fee.

For more information contact a counselor at the Fort Scott Education Center, 561-2974 or the LAMC Education Center at 561-4030.

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Programs may put out cigarettes

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

Two organizations to help people quit smoking have been invited on post by the Human Resources Developments Division.

Smoke Stoppers and **Smoke Enders** will be holding seminars soon to aid Presidians interested in kicking the habit.

Smoke Stoppers will hold their first meeting Monday at 5 p.m. in the headquarters conference room. According to the program's director, Judy Wachs, the first meeting will be a general orientation and is designed to let those interested see what is in store for them through the Smoke Stoppers six-day program.

Wachs says that the Smoke Stoppers program involves "cold turkey" which she claims is the only way for smokers to quit. Noting that cigarette smokers are in fact nicotine addicts, she says that her program serves to let the smoker know exactly what is in store for them when they give up their cigarettes as well as helping them deal with their lives without tobacco.

Since cigarette smokers are addicted to the drug nicotine, Wachs says that the first 36 to 72 hours a former smoker goes through withdrawal.

"When you first stop smoking," she says, "you go through a couple of days of discomfort. Your body is used to having that nicotine and suddenly it doesn't. After the nicotine is out of your system, then you begin to deal with the psychological habit."

"After those first couple of days of discomfort," she continues, "a person begins feeling some of the benefits of quitting and that takes over."

Wachs is familiar with the trials of quitting smoking herself. After smoking a pack a day for 20 years, she finally quit five years ago. She did it through the Smoke Stoppers program which she became the head of a year and a half ago.

Of the program, Wach says that Smoke Stoppers has a "phenomenal" 85 percent success rate and she explains that anyone unable to quit smoking through the program is offered a money



The last puff

Presidians interested in quitting smoking will be able to get help through two organizations which will be conducting seminars on post soon. Smoke

Stoppers and Smoke Enders have been invited by HRDD to assist smokers who want to kick the habit. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

back guarantee. The price for the six-day program for Presidians is \$100.

The key to quitting through the program, Wach says, is a person's motivation. Whatever particular reason they choose to quit—health, expense, etc.—makes no difference, she says, so long as a person wants to quit and to do something for themselves.

"Each person's reasons are different," she says. "But once they start to quit it is a tremen-

dous ego boost because they are doing something for themselves.

Smoke Enders, the other organization which will be giving on post help to smokers, differs in several ways. The program is five weeks long and uses behavior modification techniques to ease smokers into quitting. Rather than the cold turkey method, the Smoke Enders program allows smokers to taper off their smoking habits.

The Smoke Enders program will be offered on post sometime after the first of the year.

Flu shot season next week

Presidians will begin receiving their annual flu shots next week according to SSgt. Mitzie Walker of Letterman Army Medical Center's allergy and immunization service.

Active duty soldiers assigned or attached to HQ Co. USAG and any DoD civilian who desires will be given their shots Nov. 17 and 18 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the allergy clinic, located in building 1016.

Letterman personnel will receive their shots in Torney Hall, Dec. 1 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All soldiers are reminded that flu shots are mandatory.

Dependents and retirees may receive the shots Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. at the allergy clinic.

Soldiers and dependents should bring their yellow shot records with them.

The 1980 flu shots will protect against the Singapore, Bangkok and Brazil flu, said Walker. There will be only one shot.

For soldiers with 6-10 years

New re-up bonus gets ok, more money available

More Presidio soldiers are now eligible for reenlistment bonuses.

According to post reenlistment officials, thousands of mid career soldiers with six to 10 years of service, became eligible, Army-wide, for the new reenlistment bonuses on Oct. 1. Over 60 new military occupational specialties were added to zone G of the selective reenlistment bonus program.

Mid-career soldiers are generally soldiers at the sergeant-staff sergeant level. Most of the MOSs added were in the combat arms career fields. The few combat arms MOS not previously designated for a zone A SRB in fiscal year 1980 were also added to the program on Oct. 1.

Zone A includes soldiers who reenlist between 21 months and six years active service, while Zone B includes those soldiers who reenlist between six and 10 years of active service.

As a result of new legislation, bonuses also became available for soldiers in selected skills who have between 10 and 14 years of service. The Army's FY 81 Zone C program will permit about 400 highly skilled linguists and other technicians to reenlist and receive a bonus on FY 81. In the

past, there were provisions for bonuses only in Zones A and B.

Another result of the legislation increases the maximum authorized payment of the SRB program from \$12,000 to \$16,000.

Perhaps the most significant legislative change was one that extended the maximum years of service for bonus computation from 12 to 16 years. As a result, soldiers in Zone B may now reenlist for up to six years and receive a bonus based upon the total additional obligated service.

In the past, a soldier with nine years' service who reenlisted for six years at ETS could only be paid a bonus based upon three more years of service rather than the full six.

Using this example, an infantry staff sergeant can now reenlist and receive a lump sum zone B bonus of about \$5,500. Prior to Oct. 1, a bonus was not available for MOS 11B. Had one been available, then, the same soldier would have received about \$2,400 under the old pay scale.

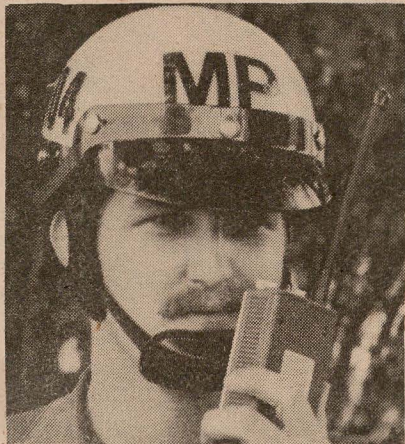
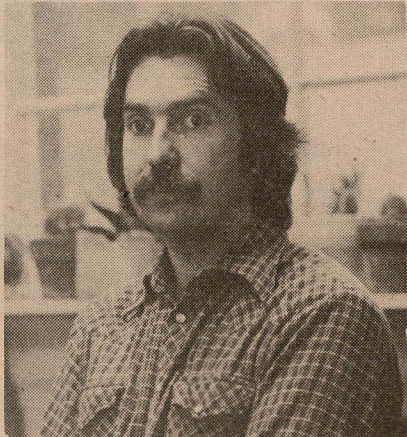
Interested soldiers should contact their unit reenlistment NCOs for more details.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

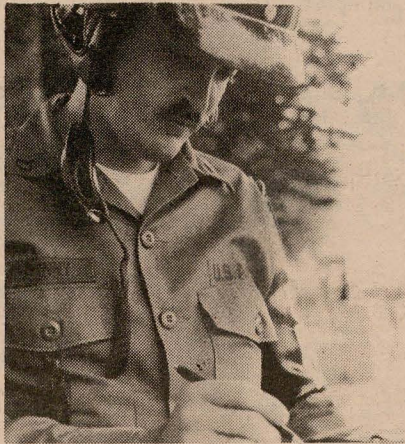
Do you think enough is being done for veterans?

Dave Black, Craft Shop—"Obviously not. The Veterans Administration estimates that half a million vets have psychological problems from Vietnam and they're just now beginning to deal with it. The VA is spending \$9.3 million on the veterans outreach program, but we've already spent \$130 million on the boat people and refugees.



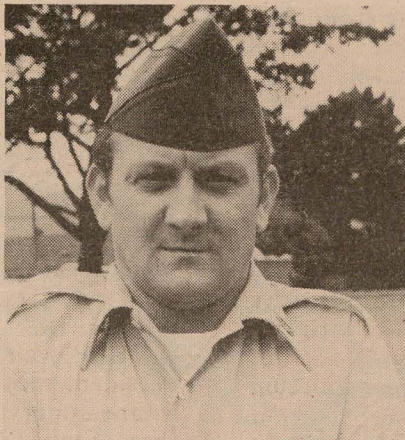
PFC Wayne Campbell, 170th MP Co.—"I think veterans are in the same shape as active Army soldiers are in terms of benefits."

Sp5 Cheryl Holland, COMPACT—"No, for people who risk their lives for their country, I think there should be more than just one holiday. We ought to do something like All-American Week."



PFC Robert Denny, 170th MP Co.—"As far as I know, veterans have substantial benefits."

SFC Richard Webb, CID—"I think veterans are receiving many benefits such as medical care, but I think the Army should be doing more for them."



No horn blowing

Star Presidian puts out winning effort

I know that newspapers shouldn't blow their own horns, but as the publisher of the Star Presidian, I feel I should put away my publisher's hat and as post commander, offer my sincere congratulations to the newspaper staff.

Last week, the Star Presidian was awarded an honorable mention in the Department of the Army's Keith L. Ware Award competition.

To most of you this probably means very little. But to the staff, I know they are extremely proud of this accomplishment.

The Keith L. Ware Awards are presented to the Department of the Army yearly in recognition of all areas of Army journalism.

This year, for the first time in memory, the Star Presidian was eligible to compete for the top honors in its category. Our team finished fourth.

What is more significant is that the first and second place papers were from full sized Army divisions, in Europe. The third place finisher was a reserve paper, thus making our Star Presidian the best active duty Army authorized paper in CONUS and FORSCOM.

Throughout the past 15 months, the newspaper has brought home three FORSCOM Fourth Estate Awards, a DA Journalism Award, and climbed to a Class A rating among Army newspapers.

More importantly, they have provided all of us with information and entertainment in an excellent style.

So, on behalf of the entire Presidio community, I express our sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

There's no emergency parking

Dear Editor:

My son recently required an emergency examination after falling and hitting his head.

Upon arriving at LAMC, there was no parking available in the white parking zone in front of the emergency room, so I parked in the red zone.

My prime concern at that time was to seek medical attention for my son, not to look for a parking space.

When I returned to my car, there was a parking violation notice attached. I attempted to explain my predicament to the officer that gave me the citation, but all he said was

"There's nothing I can do." He asked me why I didn't park in the white zone or in the area marked "emergency only." I explained that there was no parking available in the white zone and in regard to the parking in the "emergency only" area, to the best of my knowledge that has never been permitted. As anyone could see the only vehicles parked in that area were emergency vehicles.

An attempt to find a parking space at LAMC during an emergency is hopeless. I hope this letter will put fire under someone's chair and correct this problem.

Name withheld by request

Answer:

The policy of the Provost Marshal in regard to parking citations is that the military policemen issues citations for observed violations.

Once the citation was written, it cannot be voided by the issuing officer. This policy is to protect the MP from undue influence or coercion, and to insure that enforcement of parking regulation are uniform and impartial.

If matters of exceptional nature exist, then the circumstances should be brought to the attention of the Traffic Section of the Provost Marshal's office.

In this case, it was determined that an emergency situation existed, and the citation is in the process of being voided.

Lt. Col. Donald M. Gallagher
Provost Marshal

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MPs plan to 'gun' down speeders

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

Nearly 75 motorists have been "shot" since the middle of October by Presidio military policemen.

The motorists were victims of the Provost Marshal's office newest piece of equipment—a radar gun. Instead of medical care, all the drivers received were traffic citations for speeding.

According to Sp4 Paul Garrett, NCOIC of the Provost Marshal's traffic section, the gun is being used in several "problem areas" on posts, such as Lincoln Boulevard, in an attempt to slow drivers down.

The \$1500 gun, the first of two to arrive, has resulted in a tremendous increase in the number of speeding citations being issued on post, Garrett says.

Having used similar equipment for several years as a civilian policeman, Garrett says that the gun is highly accurate and notes that an elaborate four-step check is run off on the gun each time it is used.

Should a false reading show up anywhere during the check, Garrett says that the gun would be sent back to the manufacturer for repair.

In addition to aiding the traffic section in actually catching speeders, Garrett says that the gun has something of a deterrent effect.

"Once people know that you are using radar," he explains, "they have a tendency to slow down."

Sp4 Quinten Warren, one of the MPs trained to use the radar gun, echoes that saying, "When people see you using the gun, they automatically slow down."

Still both Garrett and Warren say a number of motorists stopped for speeding simply refuse to believe that the gun is accurate.

Referring to the stories of some guns that show houses and trees going 80 miles per hour, Garrett says many motorists use that excuse when stopped.

"I had a lady one time," Garrett says, "who refused to believe the reading. She wanted to know how fast a nearby house was going."



Taking aim

Sp4 Quinten Warren of the Presidio MP's takes aim with a new radar gun in use on post. Since the middle of October nearly 75 motorists have

received tickets for speeding as a result of the gun's use. The Provost Marshal's office expects to receive an additional radar gun soon.

Began one year ago

Paid parking still isn't popular here

by Mike Christy

Although parking fees went into effect over one year ago the actions of some federal employees and military folks here at the Presidio and elsewhere across the nation show it is far from being accepted.

According to figures kept by the headquarters commandant's office, around 290 parking permits are issued each month. About half are paid for while the other 150 or so permits issued represent van or car pools of four or more persons. This means most of the people are parking someplace far from the office where they don't have to pay.

The several hundred parking tickets given by the provost marshal's office each month also indicates federal workers and military personnel do attempt illegal parking.

Unhappiness with pay parking is not limited to the Presidio. When the policy was first imple-

mented over a year ago, cries of indignation were heard from everywhere. Protests came from nearly every federal agency and all military installations where the fees were imposed. And it wasn't just clerks and typists but admirals and generals too.

Since the initial out cry, five installations have succeeded in establishing reasons why pay parking should not be in effect and have since been told they could stop the policy by Office of Management and Budget. Similar efforts by the Presidio to over turn the pay parking policy have failed thus far.

Perhaps the most dramatic reaction to the pay parking policy came six months after it went into effect. Commenting on a lawsuit brought by the American Federation of Government Employees, a federal judge in Washington, D. C. ruled that the government may have acted improperly in

implementing pay parking.

The judge said President Carter may not have implemented the parking order properly when he announced it as a policy on television rather than an executive order.

The judge's ruling left many people with the impression that pay parking was about to end but according to Washington legal sources, this is not so. They say that the judge's ruling was simply an acceptance of the argument that something may be wrong. What remains to be done, they say, is for a legal decision to be handed down. Any legal decision is expected to be fought by the government.

If the pay parking policy is neither ruled illegal nor determined by OMB to be inappropriate, the current \$10 parking fee here at the Presidio is subject to an increase on Nov. 1, 1981.

Soldiers can contribute more to education

Recent changes to the Veterans Educational Assistance Program will improve educational benefits for soldiers, says Ms. Liz Ruffin, of the Fort Scott Education Center.

New legislation, which went into effect Oct. 17, permits servicemembers to save as little as \$25 or as much as \$100 per month toward their education under VEAP. Before, soldiers had to contribute at least \$50 and no more than \$75 per month to take part in the program.

Another change in the law also lets soldiers make lump sum payments into their VEAP account instead of contributing monthly.

Ruffin explained the lump sum payment this way. "The payment is assumed to be equal to monthly contributions of \$75 or less otherwise stated by the soldier."

For example Ruffin cites a case where a soldier wants to make a lump sum payment of \$300. The payment could be credited as four monthly payments of \$75 or if the soldier desires, 12 payments of \$25.

The soldier may also say the \$300 is for two

monthly payments of \$75, two of \$50 and two payments of \$25.

The only restrictions are that the amount can not go below the \$25 monthly payments, nor can a lump sum payment be made in a month when a soldier contributes to VEAP through an allotment.

The lump sum payment also cannot cover more months than a soldier has before ETS. For example, if a soldier is on a two year enlistment, he cannot specify a lump sum payment to exceed \$1,800 or 24 months at \$75.

The changes, however, do not affect the maximum amount a soldier can save under VEAP. For every dollar a person contributes, the Veterans Administration matches it with \$2. Individuals may contribute up to \$2,700 and get matching VA funds of \$5,400 for a maximum total of \$8,100.

VEAP replaced the GI Bill for Education in 1977 as a five-year experiment. Its success in recruiting soldiers as an education assistance program is still being studied.

A Department of Defense report presented to Congress last February recommended that the contribution range be extended to \$25 to \$100 month to make VEAP more attractive to servicemembers.

The report also suggested that members be allowed to use VEAP during their first term. This policy, however, remains the same. Servicemembers must complete their first term of service or six years, whichever comes first, before drawing VEAP payments.

The final changes to VEAP, approved by Congress permits soldiers in their last six months of service to attend a high school completion program without affecting their VEAP entitlements.

VEAP is slated to end in Dec. 1981 unless the President recommends an extension to Congress before June 1, 1981 and Congress approves. At press time VEAP's future was unclear since President-elect Ronald Reagan has stated he favors re-instating the GI Bill.

Cocaine use on rise in Bay Area

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

Post officials are taking "active steps" to determine the amount of cocaine abuse by Presidio soldiers as a result of an increase in the drug use in the San Francisco area.

"At this time, we simply do not know how serious of a problem cocaine abuse is here," says Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Development Division and the post's drug and alcohol control officer.

According to McKenzie, the "hard look" his agency is taking towards cocaine abuse was prompted by FORSCOM advisories which noted a substantial increase in the abuse of the drug in the Western states.

More over, McKenzie stresses the fact that the San Francisco area is known as an area of heavy cocaine usage.

As a reflection of the potential seriousness of the problem, McKenzie notes that his office has advised commanders of the symptoms of cocaine abuse and asked for their assistance by stressing the value of command directed urinalysis to detect abusers.

McKenzie says that cocaine is a central nervous system stimulant and its effects are similar to those of amphetamines. After 15 to 20 minutes of exhilaration and euphoria, he says, users of the drug begin coming down and can hit a psychological low or depression accompanied by irritability, nervousness and a slight tightening up of the muscles.

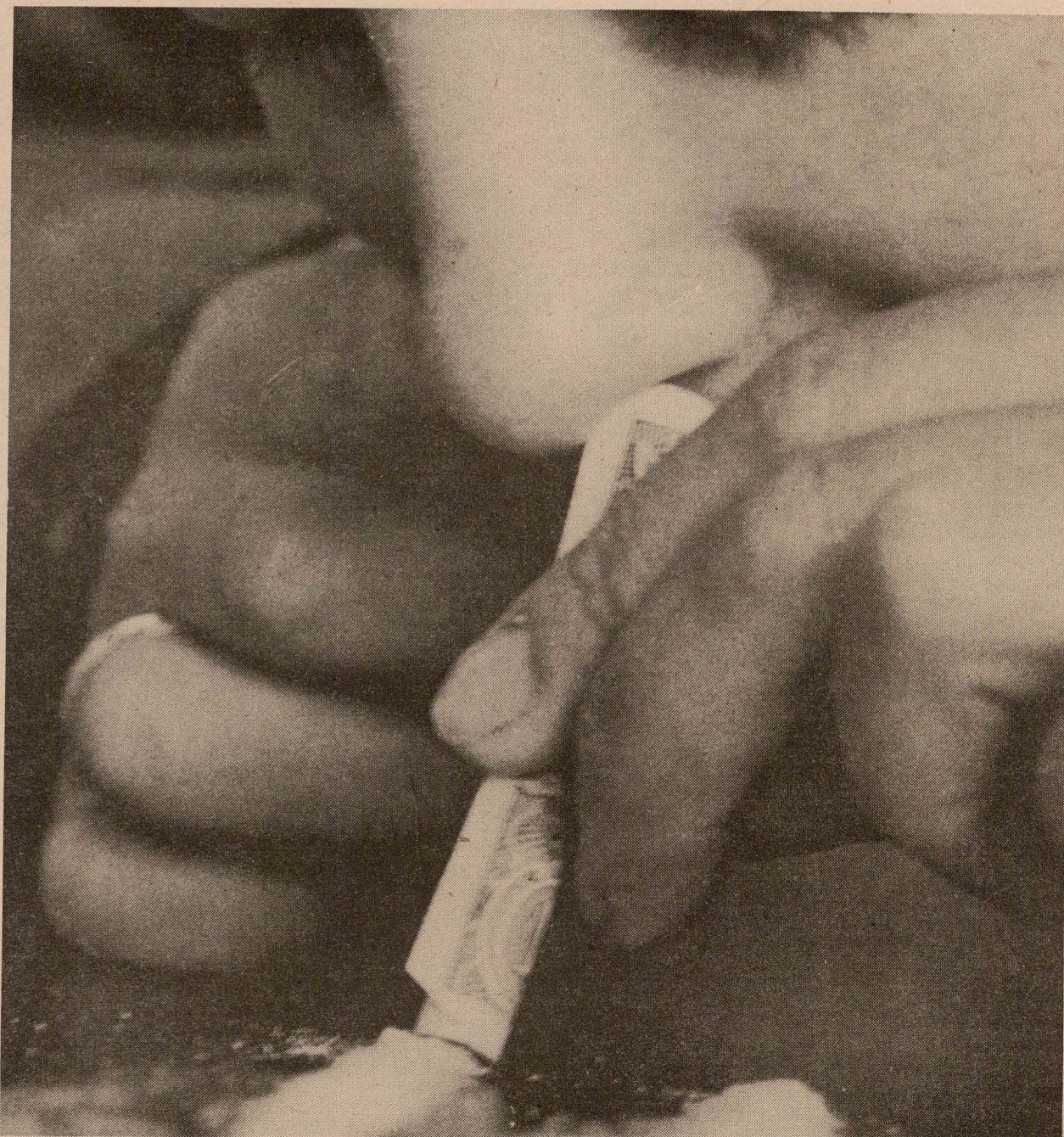
Some users experience such severe depressions, McKenzie says, that they repeat their use at frequent intervals. The drug is normally "snorted," inhaled through the nostrils, or injected.

Additional symptoms of the drug, McKenzie says, include shallow breathing, fever, anxiety and confusion.

High doses can result in tremors and convulsive body movements.

McKenzie says that commanders recognizing cocaine abuse symptoms in their subordinates should take immediate steps for a command directed urinalysis to determine if cocaine is being used by the individual.

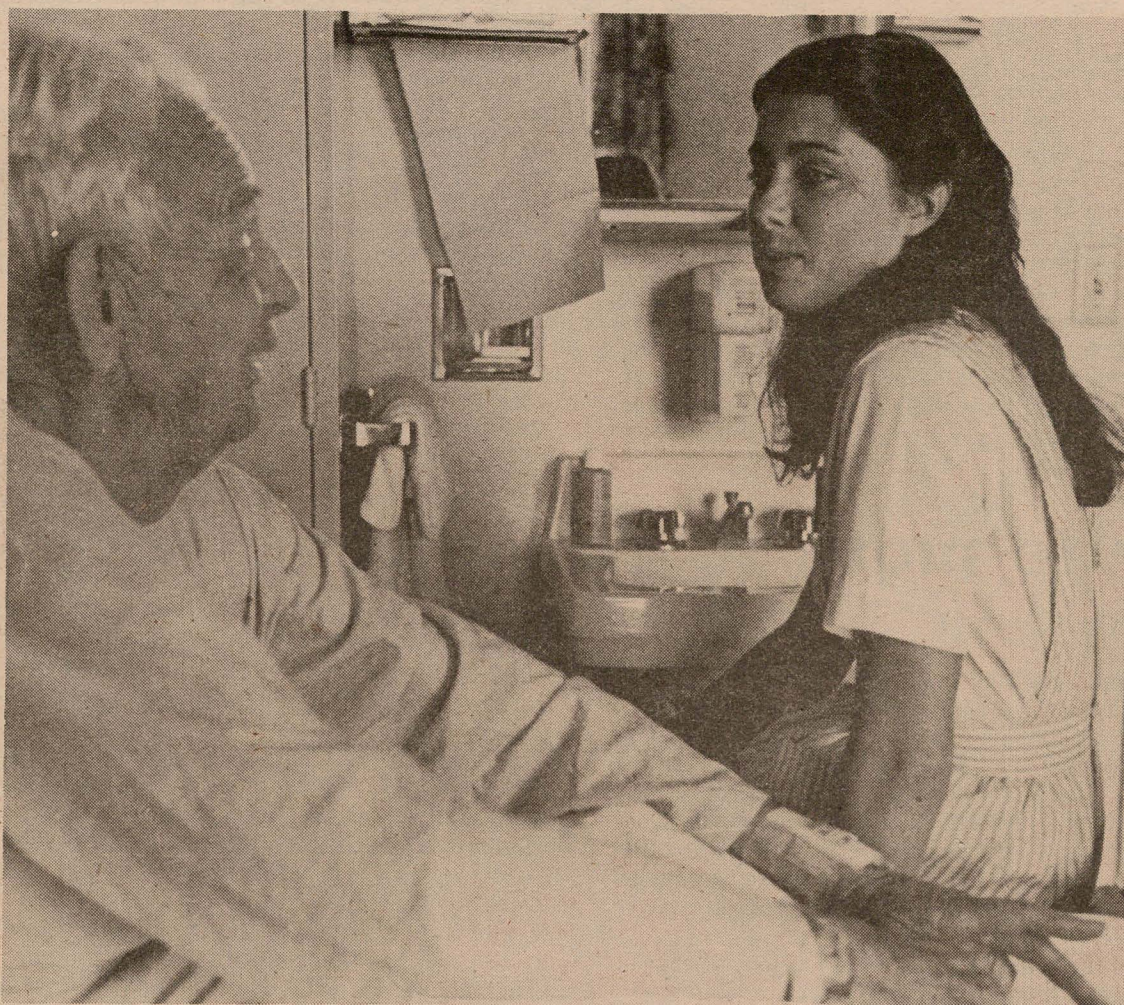
McKenzie encourages anyone with questions to contact Ms. Melinda McQuiston, director of the post's Alcohol and Drug Abuse office, at 561-5433.



Do things go better with coke?

Post officials are taking a hard look at the possibility of cocaine abuse at the Presidio as

authorities have warned of an increase in use of the drug in the West. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)



A friendly visitor

Debbie Courtenay visits with a LAMC patient during her rounds as a Red Cross Youth Volunteer. With Combined Federal Campaign contributions, Presidians can ear-

mark their donations for such activities as the Red Cross. Next week marks the end of the CFC campaign on post. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Veterans can join reserves

Sixth Army retention officials are concerned by the vast number of active Army veterans who are leaving the service without hearing about a special one-year trial program for enlistment in the Reserves.

According to SFC Eften Geary, most veterans know nothing of their option to initially enlist for a year in the Reserves.

"I would estimate," he says, "that two out of every five or more veterans don't know about it."

Geary says the option is designed to allow veterans leaving the active Army a chance to see what duty with the Reserves is like.

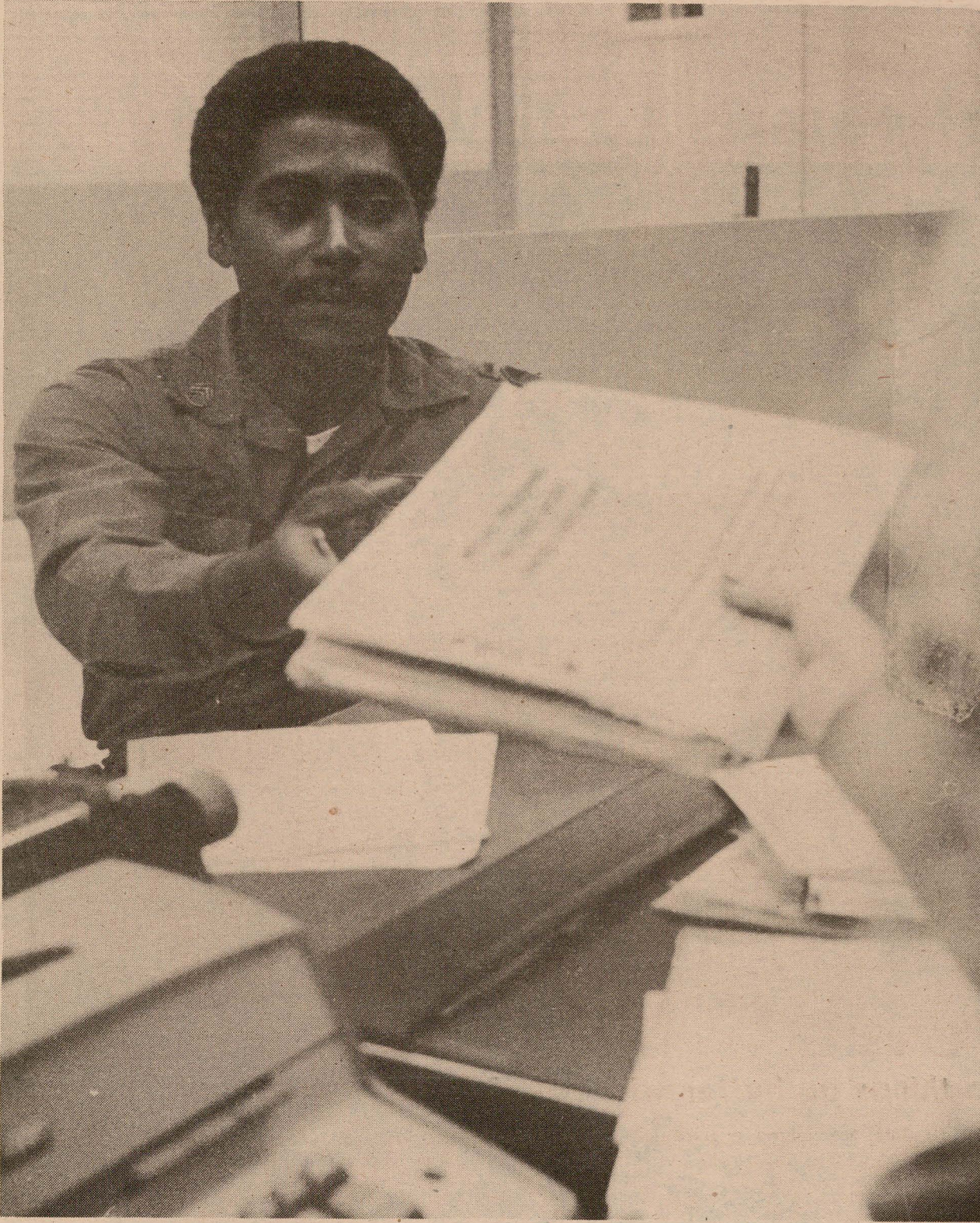
Citing some of the advantages, Geary says that veterans can continue their service through the reserves and, depending on the number of years they remain, count all of their days—active and reserve—towards a military retirement.

For civil service workers, Geary thinks the plan is ideal because the civil service has liberal policies towards allowing veterans time off for drills and training.

More importantly, Geary says, many veterans leave the service thinking that skills learned there will be of little use to them on the outside. By serving with the reserves, he points out, veterans have an opportunity to be trained in areas which can be used in the civilian community.

"I called a man in Las Vegas," Geary says, "who has a contracting business. His attitude was that the infantry skills learned in the Army didn't relate to any civilian jobs. What he didn't realize was that if a man joins a reserve support unit, he can be trained in civilian related skills."

Welcome Center is not what it seems



Handled with care

SSgt. John Lee of the parachute shop hands over his records to begin the processing procedure. According to WO 1 Craig Lee, the in and out pro-

cessing team has the task of making sure that a man's records leave their hands in the best condition possible.

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

"We've got to get a new sign. A lot of people see 'Welcome Center' and they come in here expecting maps, welcome packets... the sort of things that the Army Community Service handles."

That's how WO 1 Craig Lee explains the misconceptions many soldiers have about just what services are available from his in and out processing team, nee Welcome Center.

"We used to call it the Welcome Center," Lee explains, "but what that really meant is 'one stop shopping' for soldiers in and out processing. We don't have that here."

Eight personnel specialists and five finance clerks are members of the in and out processing team, and their goal, Lee says, is "to provide fast, efficient and timely service to soldiers arriving or departing."

There is more to the job than just processing someone's records, Lee says. When a newly arrived soldier comes to the in and out processing team, he says, they are one of the first contacts the man has with the Presidio. Impressions that soldier carries away from the session may determine his attitude toward COMPACT, Finance, the Presidio and perhaps even the Army, Lee suggests.

"A good first impression is very high on our list of do's," Lee says. He notes that the personnel and finance clerks volunteer for the duty on the team and are selected not only for their proficiency but their attitudes and appearance as well.

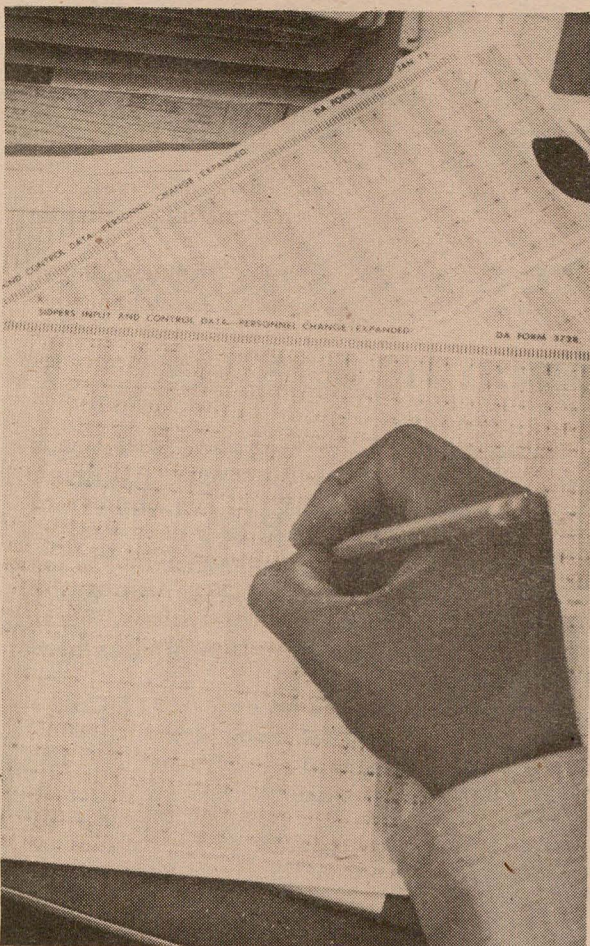
One of the more important tasks that the team members have is insuring that the soldier's records are in good shape.

"One of the missions of the clerks here," Lee says, "is to make sure that the soldier's personnel and finance records leave this office in the best condition possible. Once we create a good record here it is much easier to maintain quality records at COMPACT and Finance. When a man processes we try to resolve any personnel or finance problems he may bring with him from his previous unit."

Newcomers are only half of the processing task. Soldiers leaving the Presidio to either PCS or ETS are also a concern of the team, Lee stresses.

"A man headed to Oakland to process out of the service sees us last. We are his final impression of the Presidio and the Army. Based on his treatment, he will tell his friends on the outside that he was treated well or poorly during his time in the Army. If he was treated poorly, we may lose people who are thinking of enlisting."

"When I processed in through here," Lee says, "the people knew I was coming and that I was going to be the boss. I want everyone to get the same kind of service I did."



Color by numbers

Getting soldiers into or out of the SIDPERS system is a part of the job of the in and out processing team.



It looks straight to me

Sp5 Ken Jollif works over the finance records of a soldier processing through the team. As a part of the service, the team tries to correct any person-

nel or finance problems a soldier may bring with him from another unit. Jollif is a finance specialist at the former "Welcome Center."

Time to spare

Harvest Festival comes to town today

The **Harvest Festival** continues today, tomorrow and Sunday at Brooks Hall. The festival is patterned after a 19th Century country fair and showcases American arts and crafts. The festival runs today from noon to 10 p.m., tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children.

More than 300 entries are expected for the **International Hot Rod, Custom Car and Motorcycle Show** which starts today from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Cow Palace. the show continues tomorrow and Sunday from noon to 11 p.m.

Tomorrow at 8 p.m., Rose and Norma Scott, two San Jose country singers, will perform at the USO on Taylor Street. A dance will follow the performance. Admission is free.

Classes in flamenco and classical guitar start tomorrow at the Central YMCA. The classes are open to beginner and intermediate students and will be instructed by Daniel Maya, a professional musician and performer. To register or for more information call 885-0460.

A **plasma spectacular** will be held from noon to 5 p.m. tomorrow at the Anchorage Shopping Center in Fisherman's Wharf. The Irwin Memorial Blood Bank is sponsoring the activities which include entertainment, free t-shirts and records for blood donors.

A **Japanese Chrysanthemum Festival** will be held tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Foothill College in the Los Altos Hills. The festival features martial arts and calligraphy displays, tea ceremonies, palm reading and food. For more information call 984-8590.

An **Indian arts and crafts festival** will be held tomorrow and Sunday at the Monterey County Fairgrounds. The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. tomorrow and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Call 327-2266 for more information.

The Presidio Recreation Center still has spaces available for the **wine country tour** tomorrow from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Price of the tour is \$8 per person.

Concerts

Bob Dylan, Nov. 15-22, 8 p.m., Warfield Theater.

Sammy Davis Jr., and Della Reese, Nov. 21-23, Circle Star Theatre.

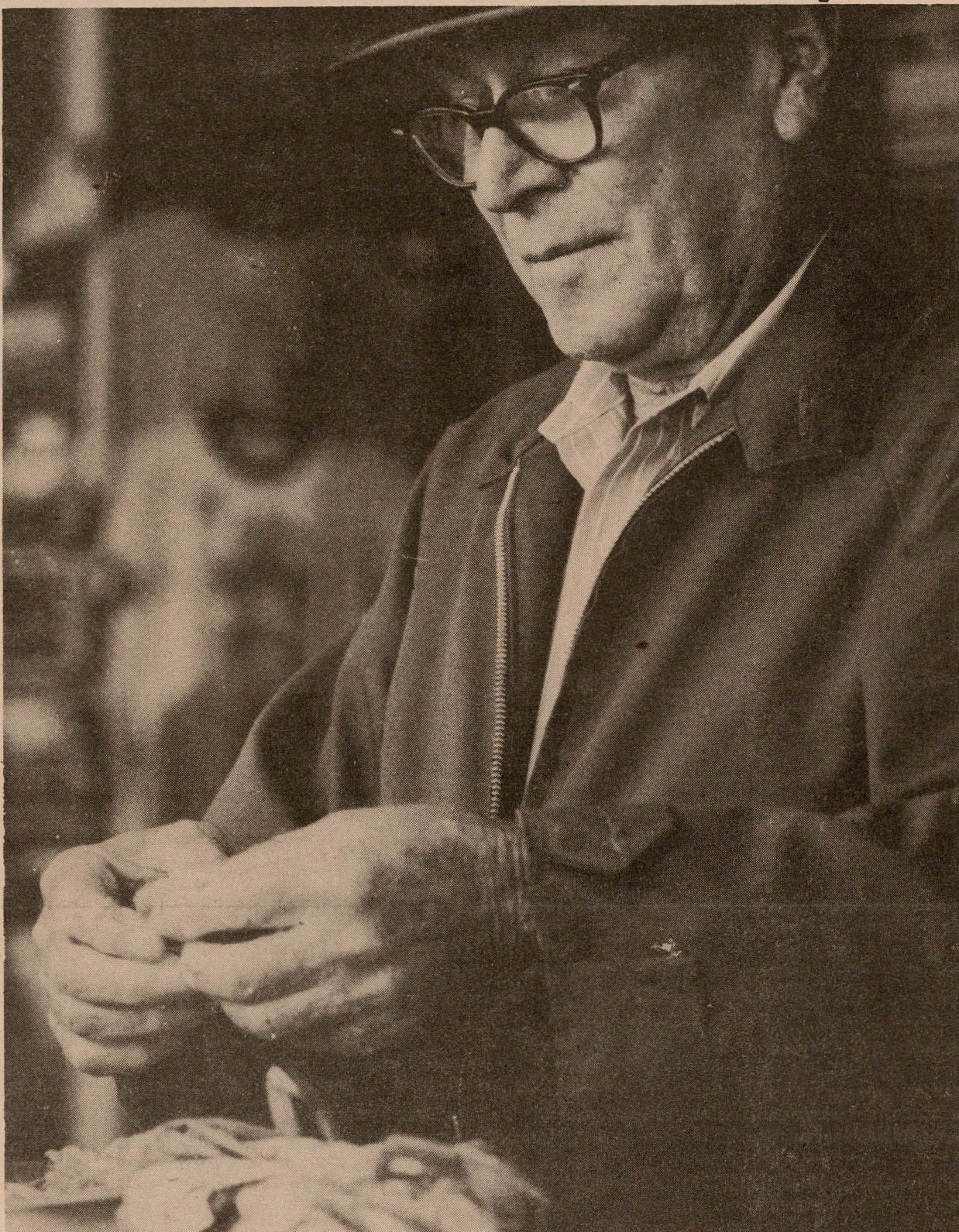
Spyro Gyra, Nov. 23, 8 p.m., Berkeley Community Theatre.

Emmylou Harris and the Hot Band, Nov. 29, 7:30 and 11 p.m., Circle Star Theatre.

Frank Zappa, Dec. 5, 7 p.m., Berkeley Community Theatre.

John McLaughlin, Al DiMeola and Paco DecLucia, Dec. 5 and 6, 8 p.m., Warfield Theatre.

Jesse Colin Young, Nov. 25-29, The Boarding House.



Cracking crabs

This man is cleaning crabs at one of the many seafood booths at Fisherman's Wharf. As the crab season opens this week, he should have his hands

full. The Wharf is one of San Francisco's best known attractions. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

Nov. 13 Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 14 Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 15 Hawmps (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 15 Defiance (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 16 The Big Red One (PG)	7 p.m.
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Nov. 18 A Pain in the A-- (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 19 Yanks (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 20 Being There (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 13 The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 14 The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 17 Good Guys Wear Black (PG)	7 p.m.

Nov. 18 Raise the Titanic (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 19 The Hearse (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 20 And Justice for All (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Previews

The **Big Red One** is an episodic, moving and first rate film which follows five soldiers through the North African and European campaigns of World War II. Lee Marvin is the sergeant/father figure who leads his squad through three years of WW II, Robert Carradine is a cigar-chomping writer and Mark Hamill, of Luke Skywalker fame, is the sensitive moralist of the group. Rough language and violence may be offensive to some.

Creative Cottage open house set

An open house will be held Nov. 19 between 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the Center Cottage. A variety of demonstrations and refreshments are planned.

The cottage is always on the lookout for more talent. Presently, it is looking for the younger artists and craftsmen. Any dependent youth who enjoys a craft is invited to consign his or her items for sale.

Interested people should contact the Creative Cottage at 561-4351 between 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays, or the first Saturday of each month between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Library hours change

Beginning Nov. 23, the Presidio Main Post Library will be open as follows: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday—10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday—10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday and Monday—Closed

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

Although Jimmy's on leave this week, the Star Presidian is happy to present its second string team of fearless pigskin prognosticators, Larry, Curly and Moe and their Pick's of the Week.

Jimmy's record last week was five right and nine wrong.

Cincinnati 28 vs. Buffalo 21

Upset of the Week—The Bengals are overdue and after last week's frustrating loss to Oakland, the Bengals are going to cash in on the Bills.

Baltimore 31 vs. Detroit 20

Baltimore rarely loses with Bert Jones at the helm, but Detroit is coming apart at the 'Sims.'

Pittsburgh 34 vs. Cleveland 31

In a battle of the quarterbacks, Pittsburgh will make the Browns sing a "Swann" song if they aren't side Sipe-d first.

Green Bay 21 vs. New York Giants 18

The Giants will have to look for "greener" pastures elsewhere.

Houston 38 vs. Chicago 17

Look for Earl Campbell to make "Bear" meat out of the Chicago defense.

San Diego 35 vs. Kansas City 14

Jefferson and company will have their hands full with Fouts.

New England 31 vs. Los Angeles 28

This victory will ride on John Smith's toe.

Atlanta 21 vs. New Orleans 3

Where is that exorcist?

Denver 14 vs. New York Jets 10

The Jets will land in Phoenix, unfortunately the game is in Denver.

Philadelphia 24 vs. Washington 21 (OT)

A lot at stake in this game, possible Super Bowl bid for the Eagles and a laughable season for the Redskins.

Dallas 34 vs. St. Louis 21

The Cardinals should retire and do Landry's laundry.

Miami 21 vs. San Francisco 14

The Dolphins will dunk the 49ers for their eighth loss in a row.

Minnesota 21 vs. Tampa Bay 7

It will be smooth sailing for the Vikings.

Seattle 34 vs. Oakland 31

The Raiders escaped the Bengals by the skin of their teeth. The Seahawks won't mind "plucking" a few from Plunkett.



Escaping the trap

A golfer blasts out of a sand trap during the recent CFC golf tournament at the Presidio Golf Course. More than \$2100 was raised for the campaign by

the 120 golfers who participated. Top honors went to Don Thomas who captured first place with a 64. (Photo by Tony Rose)

Golfers play to raise funds

The 1980 Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament raised more than \$2100 for the CFC, according to Dick Blake, tournament chairman. "This was almost \$1000 more than last year and more than \$600 more than we expected," he added.

A total of 120 golfers participated in the Nov. 7 tournament despite rain and cold weather. Play was slowed down considerably and was reflected in the scoring. The low score of the day went to **Bruce Black** who carded a 74 which, con-

sidering the conditions, was commendable.

Low net honors went to **Don Thomas** who shot 64.

Prizes were also awarded to **Harold McCullers** and **Bill Wilhem** who were closest to the pin on selected par three holes.

"The real winners in the tournament," continued Blake, "are the agencies that benefit from the CFC. We are more than pleased that the Army community could help CFC in this manner."

Women dump Beale twice, men drop two close ones

by Karl Gaffney

The Presidio men's and women's post basketball teams took on Beale Air Force Base for the first game of the 1980-81 Northern California League, season last weekend. The women remained undefeated grounding Beale 44-31 and 43-32. The men, however, dropped two, losing 104-102 in overtime and 101-91.

In both women's games, the Presidians came up against a tough opponent, who shot well from outside. The Beale women also held their own underneath against a strong rebounding team, thanks to one of the tallest girls in the league, 6'2" Denise Gross.

In both games, Beale, played a solid first half scoring 14-16 and 22-17, but eventually lost their poise, due to the relentless pressure created by a very aggressive and defensive Presidio team.

Top scorers for the Presidians were **Phyllis Singleton**, 17 and 16 points, and **Jean Ross**, 13 and 10 points.

The Presidio men's team, lost a heartbreaker, in overtime 104-102, despite an outstanding performance by floor leader, **Henry Dillard**, 36 points, and **Antho Brady**, 27 points.

In the first half the Presidians had trouble executing their offense, which resulted in

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Presidio News Notes

Insurance talks set

Representatives of two health plans for civilian employees will be on hand Monday to discuss their plans.

The Metropolitan National Association of Government Employees will make their presentation from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A short film will be shown at noon.

A representative from the American Federation of Government Employees will be on hand from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Both presentations will take place in the Audio-visual conference room in building 603.

Christmas party planned

The Kamaaina Hawaiian Club will hold a "Mele-Kalimaka" Christmas Party on Dec. 11 at 6 p.m.

Anyone interested should contact Mrs. Alice Gascon at 561-3231/3512 no later than Nov. 19.

Soccer clinic planned

A DYA soccer clinic for all coaches and youngsters will be Saturday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m. at the Fort Scott athletic field. The clinic will be put on by Jack Scott, soccer coach at San Francisco State University. For more information, call the DYA office at 561-5143.

Help wanted

Anyone interested in coaching or helping out with DYA soccer can still get involved. Call Farrel Woolford at 561-2993 or the DYA office at 561-5143 for more information.

Big race Nov. 19

The 1980 post cross country championship race will be held on Nov. 19, rain or shine, beginning at noon.

The distance will be 5,000 meters or 3.1 miles over hilly dirt trails on post. The start and finish will be at gym one building No. 63.

Awards will be presented in the following categories to the top two active duty finishers.

29 years and under Women: All ages

30-39 years

40 years and over

A special award will be given to the top male and female DoD civilian runners on post.

This is a beautiful and scenic route that climbs gradually up for one and one-half miles and back down for the final one and one-half miles. It provides a unique challenge for runners of all levels.

For further information and sign-ups, contact Bob Darling at 561-4120 or visit the post gym one. Sign-ups will be taken up to starting time.

Women dump Beale

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for their opponents, which resulted in numerous turnovers, and scoring opportunities for their opponents, and eventually lead to a twenty point deficit.

Knowing they could play far better ball, the Presidio men regrouped, after calling a time out, and came out firing, playing with tremendous intensity, and catching their opponents temporarily off-guard.

The Presidians surge not only tied the game, but even up them in the lead for the first time in the game. But after a couple of turnovers, and missed shots, Beale came right back to regain the lead at halftime 49-39.

In the second half the Presidio men regained their composure and intensity to pull even. From then on the game became a shoot-out with both teams unable to stop one another from scoring. The intensity of the game, eventually, funneled



Going down hill

Tony Rose of the post photo facility won Photo of the Week honors with this shot from downtown San Francisco. Rose's entry now goes on to our

quarterly competition. If you have a photograph you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 216.

B-ball signs open

Youngsters ages nine thru 12 interested in playing DYA basketball can still sign up. Call Karl Gaffney at 561-5032 or the DYA office at 561-5143 for more information.

Good Turn Day set

Youths representing a variety of activities will be participating in Good Turn Day tomorrow.

The day is sponsored by the Salvation Army and the youth participants from scouting organizations are helping out as a service project.

Presidians are being asked to collect reusable clothing and small household items and have them in plastic bags for pick up tomorrow.

The items will be turned in to the Salvation Army which will sell the goods through their thrift shop.

Salvation Army officials ask that persons wishing to donate larger items call them at 647-7000 to arrange for a pick up.

No more registration

The vehicle registration office of the Provost Marshal's office will issue stickers to persons who desire them so that they may enter other military bases on a request only basis. The supply of stickers is expected to be depleted by March, 1981.

The PMO will continue to issue handicapped stickers after that date.

and worked the ball for one last shot. With ten seconds on the clock, the ball was worked down to Duane Thomas who missed but was fouled while shooting.

Unfortunately, the first attempt, which went through the bucket, was disallowed, because of a lane violation and the second attempt hit iron and bounced away.

During the overtime, each team remained hot, and the score bandied back and forth, until with less than 12 seconds left, Beale hit the game winning bucket. The Presidians, still had a chance to tie the game, but a crucial turn-over in the backcourt locked up the game for Beale.

In the second game, the Presidians gained the upper hand in the first half and moved out to a ten point lead, 53-43, but couldn't maintain their intensity during the grueling second half, and eventually saw themselves facing and impregnable ten point deficit.

The next home games for the post teams will be Nov. 21 and 22 against Mather Air Force Base.

Oakland tops USAG

In the Presidio 1980 Flag Football championship play-offs, the men from over the bridge, otherwise known as Oakland Army Base, handed USAG its first defeat of the season, 6-8. The decisive turning point of the game came with seconds remaining, after USAG had masterly marched down field for the game winning score, only to miss a short range field goal by inches.

The 548th/87th Ordnance continued its undefeated post-season by trouncing USACCS, 22-8.

In the loser's bracket, USAG and LAMC No. 1 remained alive by knocking out of the tournament, respectively, 666th Radar Squadron, 16-8 and USACC, 6-0.

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Alexander submits resignation

Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander Jr., has submitted his resignation, according to an announcement made by Department of the Army officials Monday.

Alexander's resignation becomes effective Jan. 20. He will continue to serve in his post until that time.

According to the officials, Alexander has been

a major proponent of the All-Volunteer Army and has supported a number of programs designed to enhance professionalism in the ranks.

The officials cited a number of "successes" during Alexander's tenure including the "significant increase in the number of combat units and numerous career enhancement programs

such as pay increases, cost of living and travel entitlements, increased opportunities for women and guarantees of equal opportunity and fair treatment to all members of the Army team."

The 13th man to serve in his position, Alexander was sworn in as Secretary of the Army on Feb. 14, 1977. No word is yet available on his future plans.

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Speeds over 50 m.p.h.

Weekend chase ends in bust

by Jon Chelgren

A high speed chase across post ended in the arrest of two civilians by members of the Presidio military police early Saturday morning.

According to Maj. Robert Meybein of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office, two military policeman were on patrol at 5:25 a.m. Saturday on Lincoln Boulevard when they spotted a care traveling at 45 miles per hour in a 30 mile per hour zone.

As the MP's attempted to stop the vehicle, the

car sped away at speeds estimated to be over 50 miles per hour. The MP's followed the vehicle across the post before it stopped near building 1659 on Merchant Road near the Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza.

The two occupants of the car then abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot. One of the MP's was 20 feet away when one of the suspects turned with his hand in his coat pocket. The MP ordered him to halt and then drew his gun and fired a waring shot. The man continued and ran into the

tunnel beneath the toll booths where he was arrested.

The other suspect was stopped by bridge authorities at the toll booths.

One of the men was charged with speeding and evading arrest while the second was booked on charges of possession of a deadly weapon and possession of marijunana.

Both men were turned over to San Francisco police where they face additional charges after it was discovered that the car they were driving was stolen.

Bad splice leaves post without power

by Jon Chelgren

A faulty splice by a civilian contractor is being blamed for the power outage at the Presidio Saturday.

According to Edward Crane, chief of the Facilities Engineer's utilities division, the outage occurred after a pump which was draining water from a manhole stopped working and caused water to short out the wires.

Crane says that the splice in question should

still have been watertight and should not have allowed the shorting to occur.

Virtually all of the Presidio was without power for nearly three hours Saturday during the incident. Power was resumed after engineers switched to a back up system.

Unaffected by the outage Crane says, were LAMC and LAIR.

Crane says, "The pump which gave way, was being used round the clock to pump out water

which seeped into the manhole." According to Crane, the water seepage has been a constant problem and comes from such normal activities as watering the post parade field.

"You can't use those pumps 24 hours a day and without expecting them to burn up," he says.

Based upon what they discovered Saturday, Crane says post officials are identifying other splices done by the same contractor and are taking action to have them corrected.

Hepatitis found

A life guard at the post swimming pool who contracted hepatitis earlier this last month has been treated and is already back on the job.

Allen Posey, a civilian life guard at the pool, was treated for the disease Nov. 10. His condition caused virtually no disruption of pool operations and post officials stress that there is no cause for alarm now.

"All of those who came in contact with him have been treated," says Sp5 Steve Berger of LAMC's Preventive Medicine section, "and the pool was drained and refilled. The Center for Disease Control assured us that the chlorine of the pool should have protected anyone who was swimming in the pool."

The Aquarius Swim Team was forced to postpone their plans for a "Laps-for-Bucks" swim for the Combined Federal Campaign because of the incident. (See related story on page 4.)

Although Berger stresses the fact that there is no danger of others contracting hepatitis, he adds, "If anyone develops the symptoms—fever, nausea, abdominal cramps or slight yellowing of the skin—they should come down to LAMC or go to their family doctors immediately."

CFC ends this week

This week ends the annual post-wide Combined Federal Campaign at the Presidio. For CFC related stories, see pages 2 and 4.



Having a real blast

Members of the 504th MP Battalion salute battery stand ready during a 13-gun salute for two visiting Korean ships. The honors were rendered Monday as the two ships passed through the Golden Gate. The salute originated as a means of signifying friendly

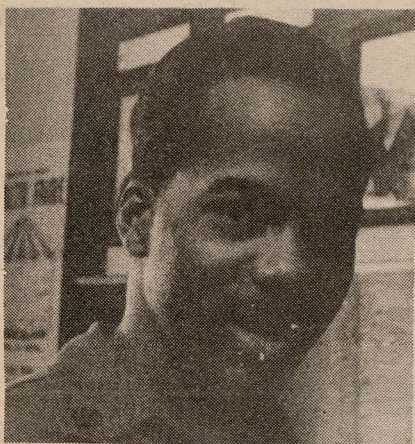
intentions as a ship entered a foreign port. As the ship would sail into the harbor, it would empty its guns and the forces on land would do the same. Monday's salute was the first since a Swedish ship was so honored in February. (Photo by John Green)

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

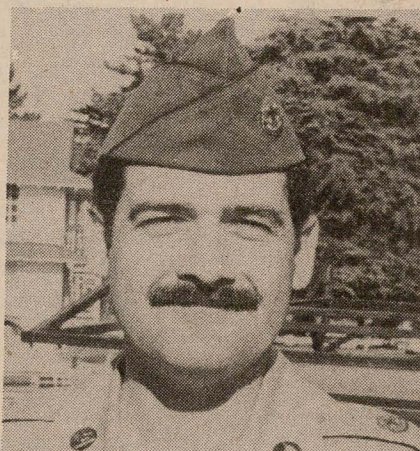
Why is the Combined Federal Campaign important ?

Maj. Jerry Connors, DRCS—"The more years I work with CFC I become personally convinced of the great worthiness in this program. It's heart warming to see so many folks of modest income making large contributions, setting an example to those who should be giving more. I wish to personally thank everyone involved with CFC."



Sp5 Calvert Pennix, 504th MP—"CFC is important because by donating you can help others who are less fortunate."

SSgt. David Hall, LAMC—"I believe that some of the agencies CFC supports are very important, but of my own choosing, I would not support all of the agencies."



MSgt. Melvin Martz, DPTSEC—"CFC supports a multitude of recipients for the money that is donated. It should be supported by everyone."

Sp5 Donna Hall, JAG—"CFC is important if a person can individually relate to the full meaning of brotherhood and rechannel the negativity they have about charity agencies."



The end

Your last chance to donate nears

With Thanksgiving just a week away, I'm sure most of us are trying to think of things for which we can be thankful. One of these is the Combined Federal Campaign and the activities which CFC makes possible. Most of us will easily recognize the "big things" in our lives such as our families, our jobs, and our good health and fortune. Few of us will remember the little things such as the services provided us by the American Red Cross, the USO, the Boy Scouts, Presidio Child Care Services, or some of the international health agencies.

These agencies depend upon the charitable contributions of many Americans to continue their work. The services they provide to us is a small portion of their commitment to making life better for mankind. Most of us have probably had no

direct dealings with organizations such as the American Heart or Cancer Societies. But I bet somewhere along the way a member of your family has suffered from some dreaded disease which is being fought today with research made possible through Combined Federal Campaign donations.

Each year we conduct the Combined Federal Campaign to allow you the opportunity to help yourself and others to a better life. I know that inflation hurts you, but I hope that somewhere you can find the way to spare a few dollars each month... inflation hurts good deeds too.

The 1980 CFC drive concludes on Nov. 24, please give what you can. You will feel better at your Thanksgiving feast if you do.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Let's keep it clean

"I wish I had a camera!" All too often this is the woeful utterance of those among us who seldom have a camera when a photo opportunity avails itself. Well, last week I really wish I had had a camera with me.

I was walking along the parade field toward Sixth Army Headquarters when suddenly through the shrouded fog hanging so closely to the ground came a muted burst of sunlight. The effect was stunning. But I was not wishing for a camera to capture the beauty and serenity of the scene I had just described.

What I really wanted to take a picture of was a soldier's displaying dedication, for before me—outlined by the tranquility of sun rays filtering through fog—was Brig. Gen. Robert Young, Sixth Army chief of staff, bending down and picking up a discarded piece of paper he found lying on the grass.

Here is a general officer who willingly accepts the responsibility of keeping his environment clean. Let all of us who live and work at the Presidio keep it clean by getting involved.

We welcome your comments

The Star Presidian is happy to print Letters to the Editor or Action Line responses from our readers. If you would like to share your comments, complaints, or criticisms on any subject of general interest to Star Presidian readers, drop us a line c/o Editor, Star Presidian,

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Garbage dumped at Presidio

by Tim Dewar

A little more than a week after the post clean-up here, trucks filled with garbage rolled onto the Presidio Saturday.

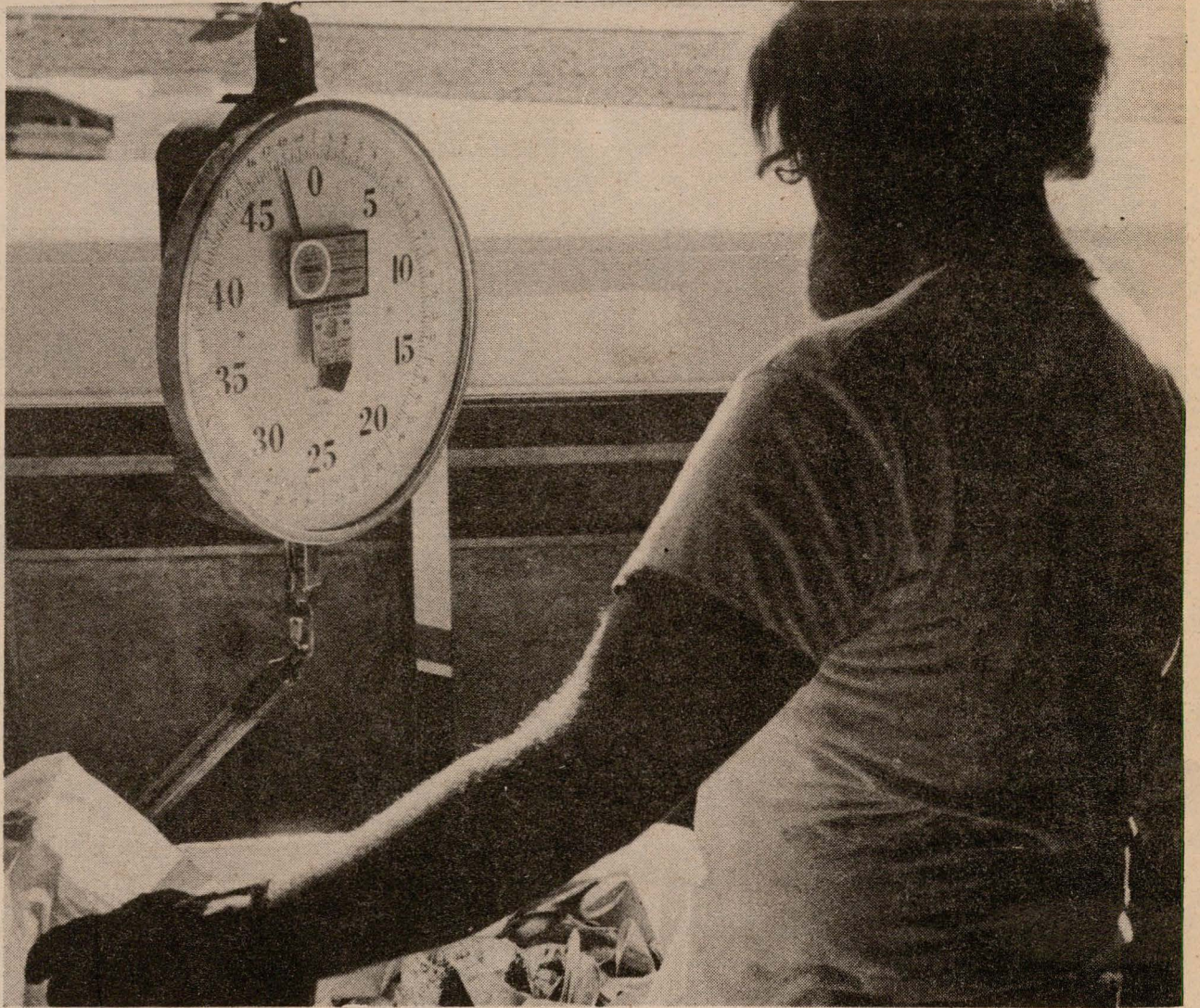
But this was no ordinary garbage, in fact, some might say this garbage was valuable.

Over 100 tons of recyclable cans, bottles and cardboard were collected during the city-wide "Recyclathon" sponsored by the State Solid-Waste Management Board and supported by the City Mayor's Committee, San Franciscans for a Cleaner City, San Francisco Community Recyclers, area businessmen and local volunteers.

Members of the San Francisco Big Brothers Organization and their little brothers were on hand to weigh the materials as they came in. The Big Brothers organization received a check for \$4000 raised by the recyclathon efforts. The money will go to help fatherless boys in the San Francisco area.

Tom Rickett of the Northern California Grocers Association presented Supervisors John Molinari and Louise Renne with the new recyclathon poster which will be distributed throughout the city. The poster not only gives information about how and where to recycle, but also carries the slogan, "Once is Not Enough—Recycle."

Entertainment for the days activities was provided by Make-A-Circus Clowns, The Holy City Zoo's improvisational comedy group, Anchovi Dacquiri, and a special preview from members of the Dickens Fair Troupe.



Getting weighed

A member of the Big Brothers weighs a load of cans during Saturday's recyclathon. More than

100 tons of trash was turned to profits for the Big Brothers. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Operation Pallet to speed Christmas mail



Christmas backlog

Christmas mail leaving the Military Mail Terminal in San Francisco may be speeded up by as much as 21 days during Operation Pallet. More than 50

Presidio soldiers are working at the terminal to help with the holiday rush. Officials ask that Presidians mail as early as possible.

by Tim Dewar

Military mail heading to the Far East and the Pacific may be speeded up as much as 21 days during the Christmas rush, according to officials from the 16th AG Postal Detachment.

Fifty-six Presidio personnel have been assigned to Operation Pallet, a program that requires the building and loading of pallets so the mail can be shipped more easily.

After the pallets are loaded and covered, they will be loaded onto military aircraft headed for the Far East.

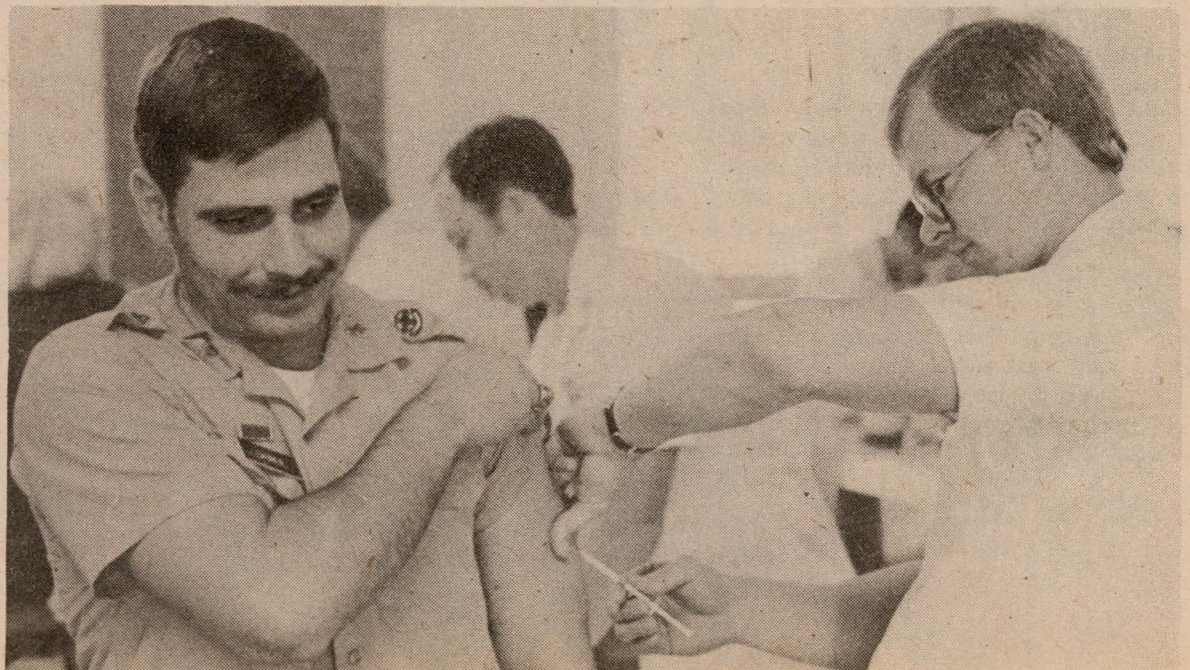
According to SSgt. Kenneth Grasz of the 16th AG Postal Detachment, "Last year Operation Pallet cut anywhere from 14 to 21 days transit time off the mail delivery." Speaking from his own experience in Europe, Grasz added, "No one likes to receive their Christmas package in the middle of January."

Presidio soldiers have been working on Operation Pallet since Monday and will continue through Dec. 21.

To avoid delays in Christmas mail, postal officials are asking Presidians to mail cards and letters early.

Do I get a Purple Heart?

A soldier receives his flu shot during the post wide flu shot immunizations given here Monday and Tuesday. Soldiers not receiving their immunizations can get them anytime at the post immunization clinic. The shots were mandatory for all active duty Presidio soldiers and optional for DoD civilians, retirees, and dependents. (Photo by Tim Dewar)



Fund drive enters final week

by Tim Dewar

As the final week of the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) fund raising drive draws to a close, CFC officials are urging anyone who has not contributed to the fund drive to do so.

The CFC started Oct. 14 and is the only authorized fund raising drive on government installations.

The CFC solicits donations for more than 278 charities, many of these in the Bay Area.

According to Maj. Jerry J. Connors, post coordinator for CFC, "One difference between this year and the previous years is that you may choose the charity that you want your money to go to."

"In previous years," he added, "contributors could select a specific organization, but if the goal for that organization had already been met, the funds would be sent back to CFC for distribution to other charities."

There is only one more fund-raising event scheduled for the CFC, the Aquarius Swim Team "Laps-for-Bucks." Pledges are still being accepted for this event, and workers will be soliciting funds until Monday.

But Connors adds, "We will still accept contributions after that date."

So far \$18,843.50 has been pledged to the CFC. Post CFC officials had hoped to reach \$30,210.00.

Connors explaining why they prefer donations through the payroll deduction plan said, "Some may be hard pressed to give CFC \$5 right now, but \$1 dollar a month doesn't hurt a bit."

He also noted, "Most people in the service stay healthy and are not exposed to the services of the CFC until they get out. They are not aware of how important these services really are."

Last year post contributions totaled more than \$27,000.



'Who brought the matches?'

A couple of Boy Scouts work over a test station during a recent jamboree at Rob Hill. Through the

program, Presidians can earmark their contributions for specific organizations such as the scouts.

Runners make \$500 on 49-mile run



Running on empty

Six runners from the Presidio raised almost \$500 for the CFC fund drive by running along the 49 mile scenic drive. The six included (from l to r) Maj. Ralph Cruikshank, Bob Darling, SSgt. Don Tompkins, Linda Wettstein, and Sp5's Tom

Nemeth and Ragnar Thanning. Cruikshank, Tompkins, Nemeth and Thanning ran the entire 49 miles, while Darling and Wettstein joined them for the last 27.

(Photo by Jon Chelgren)

What can travel approximately five miles per hour, runs on bananas, apples, oranges, candy bars, and gallons of water and can earn almost \$500 while doing it?

The answer is, a major, a staff sergeant, two specialist fives, the Presidio Recreation director and a secretary.

These people ran on more than apples and oranges, they ran on the idea of helping someone. They were running for per-mile pledges for the Combined Federal Campaign.

At 8:15 a.m. on Saturday, Maj. Ralph Cruikshank of Sixth Army, SSgt. Don Tompkins, and Spec. 5's Tom Nemeth and Ragnar Thanning of LAIR took off from the Presidio flagpole on a journey along the entire 49-mile scenic drive.

They finished their trip in just under 10 hours, stopping occasionally for food or rest every four of five miles. Cruikshank's wife Kristine, and son Sean, were waiting at planned rest stops to provide the quick energy builders that the runners needed.

"All four of us stayed together throughout the run and we never strayed more than two hundred yards apart from each other," said Cruikshank.

He added, "To make things entertaining, we raced a cable car to the top of Nob Hill and beat it!"

The four runners were joined by two others at the 27-mile point. Bob Darling, Presidio recreation director, and Linda Wettstein, a secretary at LAIR.

"They took on the toughest half of the marathon with us, which seemed to be all up hill," Cruikshank said.

'Laps-for-Bucks' rescheduled

The Aquarius Swim Team has postponed its "Laps-for-bucks" swim meet, as part of the Combined Federal Campaign fund raising drive.

The event was rescheduled for Sunday, after a case of hepatitis was discovered at the post swimming pool. (See related story on page 1.)

Sponsors are being asked to pledge money for each length of the pool that a swimmer swims.

Swim team members will be soliciting pledges throughout the week.

For more information call the Youth Activities Center at 561-4187.

Motor pool like a military rent-a-car

"We're kind of like Hertz." That's how Bruce Terpstra describes the way in which his Presidio motor pool operates.

As Terpstra explains, the post motor pool has more than nearly 350 vehicles with an only 30 military and civilian drivers assigned.

"This is a 'you drive it' operation," Terpstra continues. "We only check out the vehicles. One of our biggest problems is the one time user. Some soldiers take a car out and don't take care of it simply because it doesn't belong to them."

Although the TMP has nearly 350 vehicles on paper, Terpstra notes that about 170 of those are used by outlying reserve units and therefore are rarely seen by the Presidio motor pool.

Still, the motor pool does more than simply serve as a military rent a car. The TMP operates the posts fuel point for government vehicles and maintains the fleet of cars, trucks and buses assigned to it.

The motor pool also operates the post's shuttle bus system as well as a number of daily school bus runs carrying Presidio dependents to and from area private schools.



Making a check

SSgt. Floyd Phillips writes up discrepancies discovered during a vehicle inspection.



'Cough, please'

"Dr." Otha Terry tries diagnosing a mechanical problem with one of the nearly 350 motor pool

vehicles. Terry is one of six civilian mechanics who keep the TMP's fleet running

Post health fair termed a 'real success'



'This little piggy. . .'

One of the free screenings offered at the recent Health Fair was a podiatry check. According to

Capt. Diana Blackman of LAMC, more than 1500 screenings were run for nine separate conditions.

Nearly 400 persons attended the recent Health Fair at Harmon Hall and many are now seeing doctors after abnormalities were discovered during the fair's free health screenings.

According to Capt. Diana Blackman, community health nurse at LAMC, the free screenings found a number of people with high blood pressure, suspected glaucoma, possible hearing problems and a host of other conditions.

She notes that the screenings were not definitive and persons who were found to have abnormal results were advised to have follow up checks done by their regular doctors.

Blackman says most of the fair's attendees were Department of Defense civilians. She suggests that many military personnel didn't attend because they are already receiving free medical care through military hospitals.

The fair was co-sponsored by the Presidio and Letterman Army Medical Center and included nine different screenings.

In addition, information booths featured representatives of the American Cancer Society, American Lung Association, Arthritis Foundation, Diabetes Association, American Trauma Society and the San Francisco Department of Public Health and Commission on Aging.

Most of the organizations participating in the fair are supported by charitable contributions such as those collected during the Combined Federal Campaign which ends its annual fund drive this week.

Blackman says that no plans have yet been made for another Health Fair, but she notes that the response from participants and attendees has been overwhelmingly positive.

Time to spare

Auto show, Christmas fair start Saturday

A **Novemberfest** featuring crafts, talent show musical comedies and displays is scheduled for today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the College of Marin in Kentfield.

There will be a **concert featuring the university jazz band** today at 8:15 p.m. in the theater at California State University at Hayward. For more information call 881-3724.

An **International Auto Show** featuring new American and foreign cars starts Saturday at noon at the Civic Center. The show continues through the Nov. 30 from noon to 11 p.m. daily and noon to 10 p.m. on Sundays. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

The **Tokyo-Koto Doll-Making School's** annual doll show is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the California Bank Hospitality Room at 1675 Post Street in Japantown. A doll making demonstration will be conducted Sunday at 2 p.m.

The **10th Annual Dickens Christmas Fair** starts Saturday at Fort Mason. The fair continues through December 28 on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The fair will feature a recreation of a street scene at the time of Charles Dickens, handmade merchandise, carolers and entertainers in period costumes.

The **Walnut Creek Model Railroad Club** will host its annual open house from 8 to 10 p.m. Friday, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, at 2751 Buena Vista Avenue in Walnut Creek.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors," a Gian Carlo Menotti hour long opera will be performed at 11:45 a.m. An evening show is scheduled for December 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse. Free tickets will be available starting Dec. 1 at the Playhouse box office.

"**Winterglow**," a collage of holiday music, dances and stories will hold 15 performances from Dec. 4 through Dec. 23rd at the Presidio Playhouse. Performances will be held Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Extra specials are scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children under 16. A \$1 discount is available for military personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists. Tickets sales will start on Dec. 1.

A **Bicycle trip to Angel Island** is being sponsored by Outdoor Recreation. The trip will start out at the Outdoor Recreation Center 92 at 9 a.m. on Dec. 14. The trip is free and is open to all active duty military, dependents, reservists, retirees and DoD civilians. For more information and sign-up call 561-4324 no later than 5 p.m. Dec. 10.

A one unit extension tour, "San Francisco by Boat," is being offered by San Francisco State University. The tour explores the environmental setting of the Bay Area. The tour will visit the areas of Fisherman's Wharf, Telegraph Hill, Angel Island, Sausalito and Alcatraz Island. The course meets Saturday and Sunday in room 618 of the SFSU Physical Science building. The cost of the tour is \$44 with a transportation fee of approximately \$15. For more information call 469-1373.



'Going down?'

Mike Dominguez gets set to rappel down a cliff during a recent Outdoor Recreation Center trip.

The rapelling day is one of a number of new trips being planned by the center.

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

Nov. 20 Being There (PG)	7 p.m.
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Nov. 22 The Black Stallion (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 22 The Black Stallion (G)	7 p.m.
Nov. 23 Final Countdown (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 24 Final Countdown (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 25 Prom Night (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 26 Prom Night (R)	7 p.m.

Nov. 27 The Rose (R)

7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 20 And Justice for All (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 21 Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 24 Defiance (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 25 The Big Red One (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 26 Pain in the A--(PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 27 Yanks (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Prom Night opens with the teasing and subsequent death of a ten year old girl brought on by four of her peers. Six years later, a masked killer, seeking to avenge the girl's death, plans the murders of the four children and attempts to bring it off on their Prom Night.

Sports

Men, women split pair

by Karl Gaffney

The Presidio basketball teams split a pair of weekend games at Travis with the women going 34-32 and 48-49 and the men posting a 57-58 loss and 86-80 win.

In Friday night's action, the women managed to hold their own against a taller Travis team with both teams playing a very physical and aggressive game.

In the second half, the Presidians were unable to stop Travis' inside game and found themselves behind by as much as 10 points late in the game.

A great come from behind surge by the Presidians, resulted in the 34-32 victory.

Game high scorer was **Phyllis Singleton**, of LAMC, who scored 18 points.

In the women's Saturday game, sloppy play resulted in numerous turnovers.

With 48 seconds remaining, the Presidians were ahead by one and in control of the ball. Instead of freezing the ball and running out the clock, the women went into a frenzy and shot the ball four times. Travis gained control with 18 seconds remaining and immediately moved down the court. Two clutch free throws gave Travis the win 49-48.

Leading Presidio scoring was **Phyllis Singleton** with 19 points.

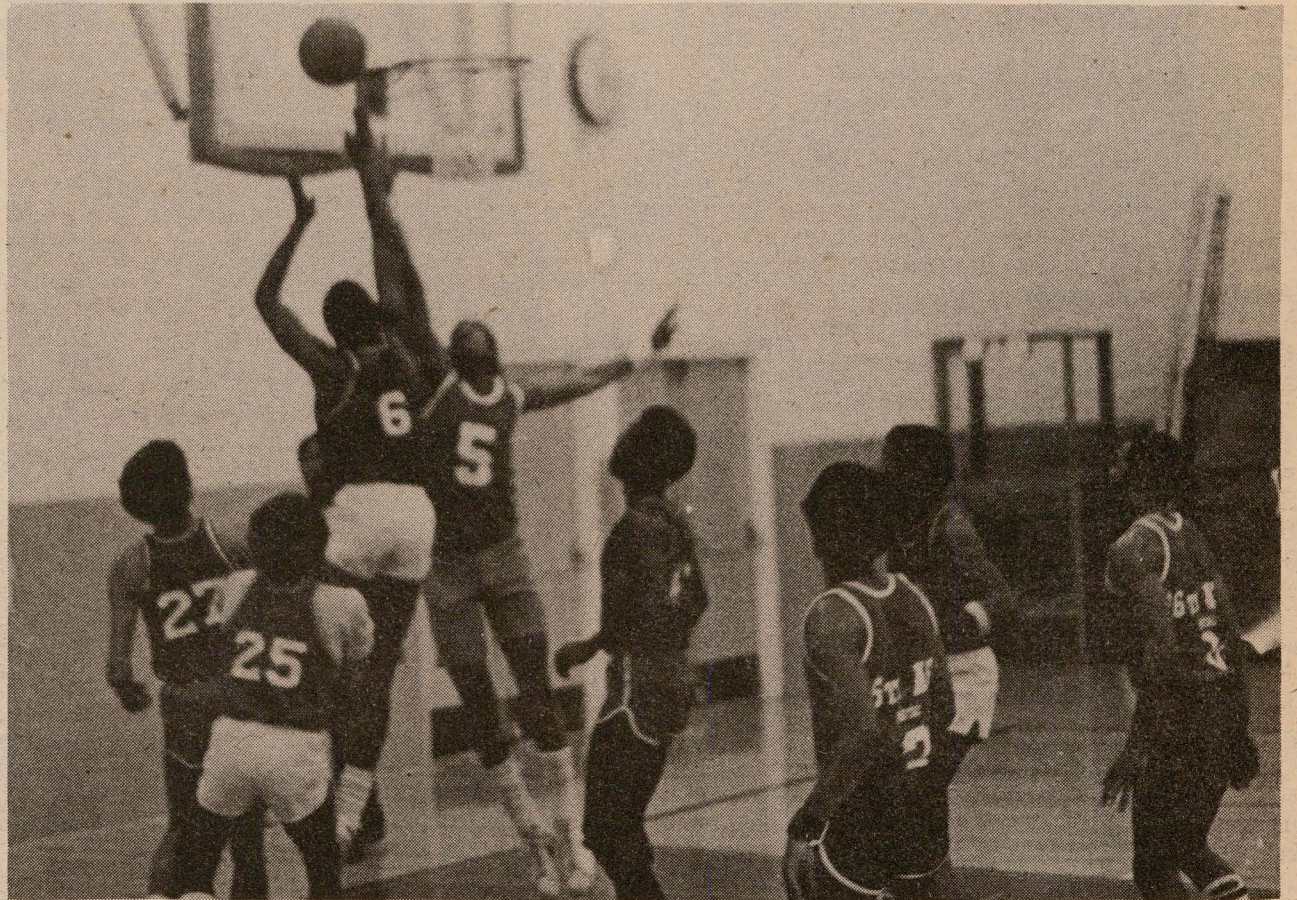
In the men's Friday night game, Travis got out to a fast start, pulling the Presidians out of their zone and into a man-to-man defense.

The Presidians fought back throughout the game and eventually pulled ahead late in the second quarter.

The score bandied back and forth until Travis gained a one point advantage with 20 seconds remaining.

During the remaining seconds of the game, the Presidians controlled the ball but failed to score.

High scorers for the Presidians were **Antho Braddy** with 22 points and **Duane Gibson**, with 15 points.



Happy hoopers

Basketball players "hoop it up" in this scene from last season. The post's men's and women's teams

In the men's second game, the Presidians went man-to-man throughout the game, forcing their opponents to take tough shots, giving up the ball.

Antho Braddy and **Duane Gibson** found the hot hand ending the game with 23 points and helped put the Presidians out in front by as much as 10 points.

A well organized Travis team countered by

traveled to Travis recently where they split a pair of games. (Star Presidian file photo)

applying a full court zone press which caused numerous Presidio turnovers and easy Travis buckets.

At halftime, the score was Travis, 41, Presidio, 40.

The second half was a repeat and eventually marched back to gain a commanding 10 point lead and the victory, 86-80.

Jimmy's picks of the week

Jimmy the Freak returns to the pages of the **Star Presidian** this week after a long deserved leave of absence.

The "Peerless Pigskin Prognosticator" forecasts the following weekend action:

Cincinnati 27, Cleveland 23

(Upset of the Week). Cleveland will be down after their disheartening loss to the Steelers. The Bengals always get meaner when they play their cross-state rivals.

San Diego, 34, Miami 17

If the Dolphins could barely beat the 49'ers, how do they expect to beat a powerhouse like the Chargers?

Philadelphia 28, Oakland 17

As Confucius said, "Eagles too 'talon-ted' for Raiders."

San Francisco 27, New York Giants 23

The 49'ers have a little more talent, more desire, and are at home. Besides—who cares?

New England 24, Baltimore 23

New England gets the nod only because of the home-field advantage. A turnover at the wrong time will decide this very close match.

Atlanta 34, Chicago 21

Atlanta hasn't been better since Sherman marched through with torches.

Detroit 20, Tampa Bay 13

The Lions are due for a big game. The Buc(s) stops here.

Houston 34, New York Jets 16

The Jets are football's version fo the Maginot Line—just pass around them. New York will be "Bum" rapped by Earl and Company.

Pittsburg 24, Buffalo 17

The Steel Curtain is a bit rusty, but don't look for them to "Swann dive" against the Bills.

Minnesota 30, Green Bay 10

This will be like an Edgar Allen Poe poem—the Vikes will shellac, whask and smack the Pack.

St. Louis 20, Kansas City 17

The battle of Missouri doesn't "Show Me" anything. Kansas City plays too conservative.

Denver 28, Seattle 24

The Broncos play mile high when at home.

Dallas 37, Washington 16

The 'Skins have been pelted, tanned and hung up to dry.

Los Angeles 35, New Orleans 10

ABC really scheduled on exciting game this week—didn't they, folks?

Four teams remain alive

by Karl Gaffney

After last week's action, four teams remain alive in the post flag football championship tournament.

In the winner's bracket, Sixth Army 548th/87th remain undefeated along with the 170th MPs. In the loser's bracket, USAG and LAMC No. 1 remain alive.

The 170th MP's continued their winning ways by easing past Oakland in a tough defensive battle 8-0.

Numerous interceptions by both teams held the scoring down with a critical interception coming late in the fourth quarter by 170th's defensive back, **William Lavista**, at his own 12 yard line, to halt Oakland's drive. The only score of the game came on a 35 yard pass from **Lonnie West** to **Rodney Johnson**.

In the second game of the night, the Sixth Army, 548th and 87th EOD outlasted the Corps of Engineers, 20-12.

The score see-sawed back and forth, with the Sixth Army, 548th and 87th EOD scoring the winning touchdown late in the fourth quarter to preserve a flawless record.

The score came on a pass from quarterback **Scott Carr** to **Robert Clipper**, from 17 yards out.

In the loser's bracket, the battle to remain alive, in the double elimination tournament continued with USAG out dueling the Corps of Engineers, 20-17, and LAMC No. 1 knocking out Oakland in a free-for-all, 36-36, by a matter of yards not points, in the second tie of the season.

The Championship games will be held at the PX Field Monday at 6 p.m.

Presidio News Notes

Meeting scheduled

Due to the overwhelming initial response, the Blue Cross, Blue Shield representative, Bernice Morgan, will conduct two more sessions during open season to explain the 1981 changes in the government-wide Service Benefit Plan.

The meeting will be held in building 603 in the av training room, on Dec. 3 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Bake Sale set

The Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten will be holding a Christmas Handicraft and Bake Sale on Dec. 6 at the Post Exchange Mall beginning at 10 a.m.

All handicraft and bake sale items will be made by the parents and children of the Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten.

Funds raised at the sale will aid in purchasing additional equipment needed by the school.

Handicraft donations may be brought to the school on Dec. 3, 4 and 5. Bake Sale items may be brought to the school on Dec. 5 or Dec. 6 before 10 a.m.

Hours change

Starting Sunday, the main post library will be open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The library will be closed Sunday, Monday and holidays. The time change will affect the main post library only.

Open House planned

The Religious Activities Center is sponsoring an open house in building 682 on Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. For reservations or more information call 561-3535/4440.

Winners named

The 1980 Annual Thanksgiving Calloway Golf Tournament was held Nov. 12 at the Presidio Army Golf Course on a clear day, with 27 golfers competing with the following results:

Winner, Open Division, Calloway—Sp5 Gary Dutcher, LAIR

Winner, Senior Division, Callaway—LTC Ray Tilgman, ARR IX

Winner, Open Division, Low Gross, MSg Dennis Smercek, ARR IX



Photo of the Week

Sp5 Steve Spigelman of the 864th Engineers won Photo of the Week honors with this shot taken during a janitors strike in San Francisco. Spigel-

man's effort now goes on to compete in a quarterly competition. If you have a photo you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom

Winner, Senior Division, Low Gross, SMG Bobby Tate, HQ, 6th Army
Runner-up Open Division, Callaway—SFC Roko Smiljanic, LAIR
Runner-up, Senior Division, Callaway, LTC

John Weaver, ARR IX
Runner-up Open Division, Low Gross—Capt. Gary Woods, HHD, 504th MP BN
Runner-up, Senior Division, Low Gross—Col. Newell Vinson, ARR IX

Real winners

The 504th MP Battalion color guard marches through downtown San Leandro during a Veteran's Day parade. The color guard was honored as the parade's best marching unit. While the Sixth Army Band was named runner-up in the band category. The parade was hosted by Sixth Army and was attended by more than 5,000 people. (Photo by Tony Rose)



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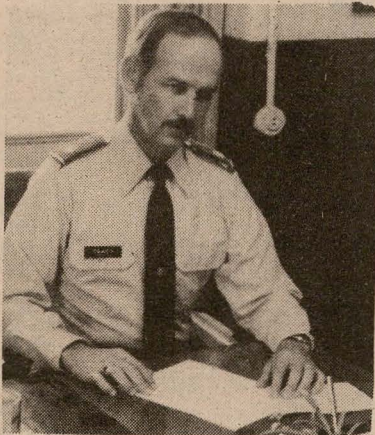
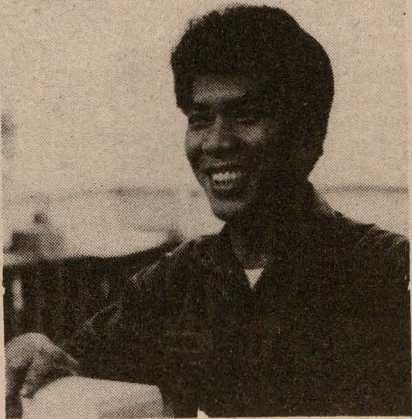
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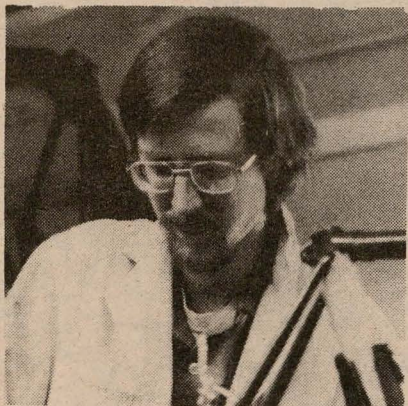
What are you thankful for?

SSgt. Arturo Zapanta, MISO—
"Seeing my son last weekend for the first time in 5 years."



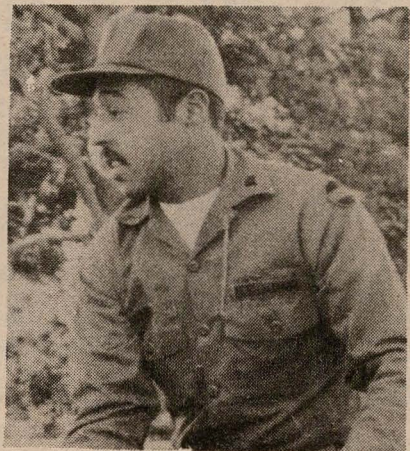
Lt. Col. Robert G. Tracy, CID—"I've been blessed with a caring wife who has shared 18 years of nomad-type traveling all over the world and still made a home out of wherever we were. I'm thankful for her and the two wonderful children she gave me."

Sp5 Janet Jones, Post AG—"For hope and the belief that times will change."



Mr. Rich Adams, Bike Shop—"To be born raised and still living in the greatest city in the world, because I feel San Francisco all the way."

Sp4 Milton Crespo, USAG—"I'm going to ETS soon. That's about all."



Thanksgiving

We have a lot to be thankful for

On this Thanksgiving Day we can be truly grateful for the blessings we enjoy. Except for those Americans held hostage in Iran,

America is at peace. Our Army is well trained, vigilant and dedicated to maintaining that peace. Our Department of the Army civilians are skilled and devoted to maintaining the security of our nation. We

have much to be thankful for.

Our country would not be secure this Thanksgiving without the selfless service and devotion to high ideals of the men and women who wear its uniform and make up its civilian work force. We extend our special wishes to you and your family for a bountiful Thanksgiving holiday.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Thanks for the help

The staff of the Human Resources Development Division extends their sincere appreciation to the members of the Presidio military and civilian community for the tremendous support given Presidio's first "All American Week" celebration.

The many favorable comments we received both during and after the event served to support the fundamental purpose of All American Week—to provide an 'awareness raising experience' where people of all ethnic cultures would have an

opportunity to share in the cultural wealth of each other.

We believe, thanks to you, that we accomplished our purpose in a very unique and special way.

Similarly, we extend a special thanks to all the unit points of contact, special project personnel and others too numerous to mention, who individually and collectively share in the success of this historical event.

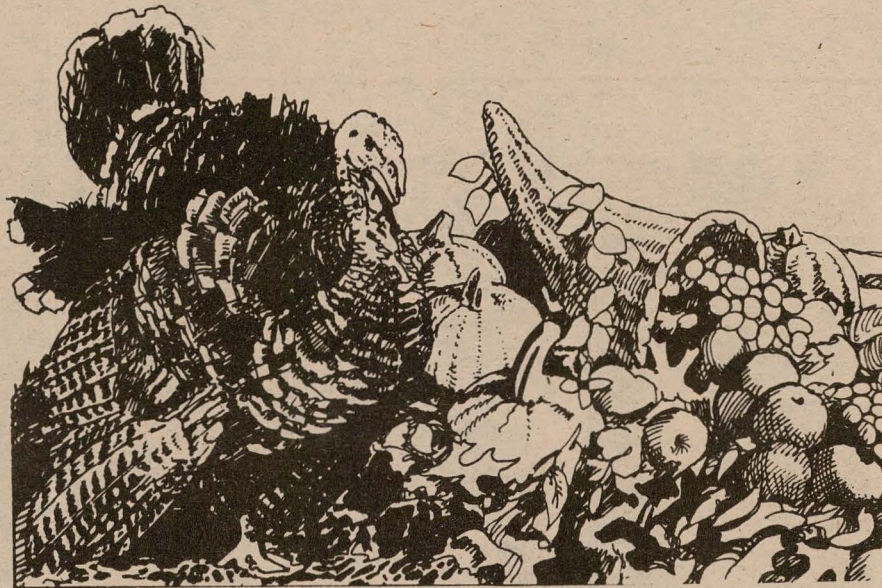
We look forward, as many of you do, to the next "All American Week."

Maj. Robert McKenzie, Jr.

Have a good one tomorrow

Presidio community a happy Thanksgiving.

The entire staff of the Star Presidian wishes each member of the



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Camp Parks study underway

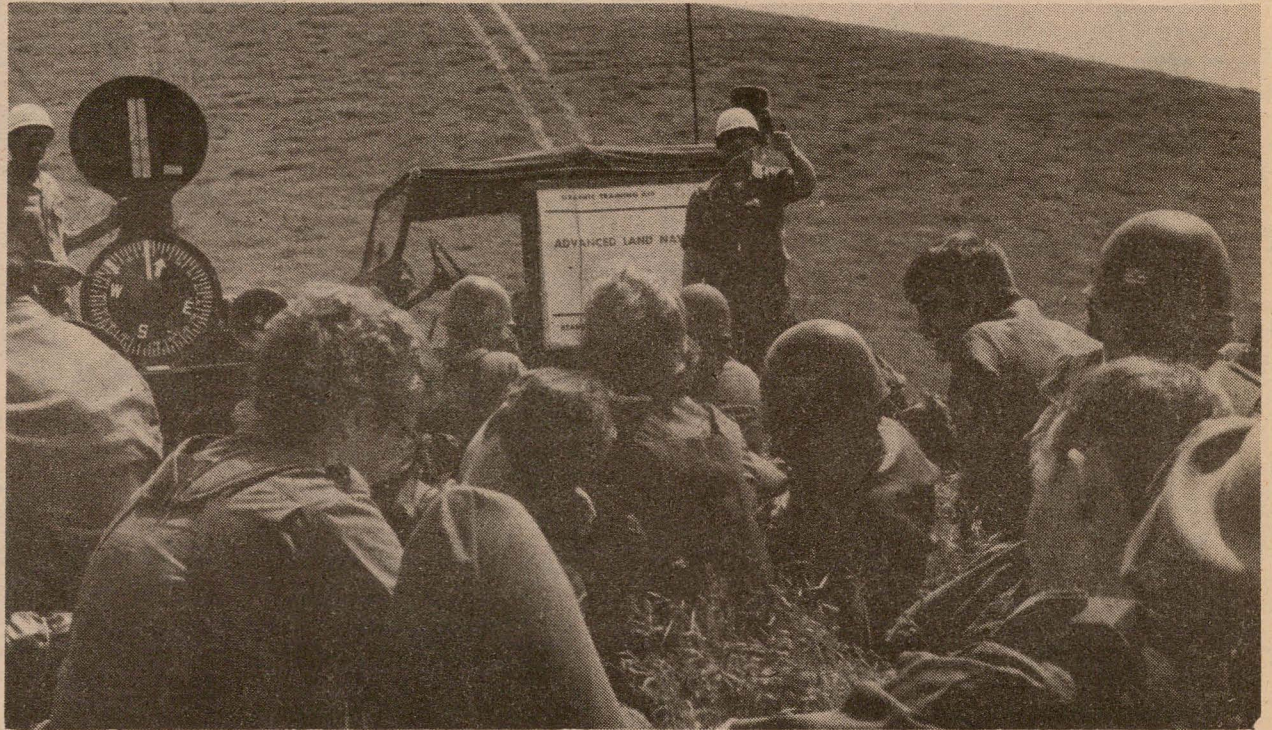
Post officials have revealed that a feasibility study of Army training activities at Camp Parks has been underway for several months.

According to Maj. Michael B. Christy, post public affairs officer, the study is designed to "test the feasibility of upgrading the Camp Parks facility to allow greater use by Army Reserve units in the San Francisco Bay and Central Valley areas."

There are more than 11,000 Reserve soldiers within a 50-mile radius of Camp Parks. Christy says that approximately 500-600 soldiers would be training at Camp Parks on any given weekend if the recommendations developed from the study are approved. That approval is expected from Washington at any time.

Reserve units will train on an obstacle course, map reading course, driver's training, marksmanship bridge building and other training activities. No major barracks construction is contemplated but the general appearance of Camp Parks would be improved.

The increased use of Camp Parks as a Reserve Forces Training Area would result in substantial savings, in time, money and fuel. Travel time to other training sites would be greatly reduced adding valuable time to the already limited training time available to Reserve units, according to the study.



The look of the future?

Scenes like this may be routine if a study recommendation to increase rescue training at Camp Parks is accepted. An estimated 500 to 600 reservists would be using training facilities there on

weekends if the study is approved. Officials suggest substantial savings could be made in time, money and fuel by Camp Parks use.

Muni makes changes on two bus lines

A change in the MUNI routes 43-Masonic and 52 Excelsior will have no affect upon their travels throughout the post.

Riders of these two lines, however, should be familiar with changes in the routes outside the Presidio.

The changes were made after several public meetings and input from residents in the Marina area, to reduce activity and congestion near the terminal areas.

The change will only affect that section of the existing route east of the Presidio of San Francisco.

Leaving the Presidio Gate (Lombard and Lyon), No. 43 coaches will turn right on Lyon, left on Greenwich, left on Broderick, right on Francisco, right on Divisadero to the terminal at Chestnut and Divisadero.

Returning from Chestnut and Divisadero, via Divisadero, right on Greenwich, right on Baker, left on Lombard to the Presidio of San Francisco, and thence, southbound, to the existing route.

To accommodate potential passengers in the Excelsior District and to improve community access to Muni transit services, the No. 52-Excelsior line will be re-routed as follows:

Southbound, from Mission and Excelsior, coaches will operate from Mission Street, left on Excelsior, right on Naples, left on Brazil, right to Prague, right on Russia, left on Moscow, right to Geneva to the terminal at Mission Street and Amazon Avenue.

Northbound, coaches leave Mission and Amazon, to Geneva, left on Naples, right on Russia, left on Prague, left on Brazil, right on Mission and along the existing route.

Patrons desiring additional details may call the Municipal Railway Transit Information Bureau, dial 673-MUNI.

Refugee center workers cited

Story by Tim Dewar

The 504th Military Police Battalion is holding a pass-in-review today at 11 a.m. at the Fort Scott parade field for members of the battalion who are returning from Cuban refugee centers.

Twenty-five members of the 504th are being honored for their law enforcement help at Cuban Refugee centers located at Fort Chaffee, Ark., and Fort McCoy, Wis.

While at the refugee centers, the MPs established a task force to supervise MP law enforcement for Fort Chaffee, a reaction force to help six civilian law enforcement agencies and established a perimeter security.

The soldiers, led by Maj. Thomas McHugh, arrived at Fort Chaffee July 28 for 90 days duty.

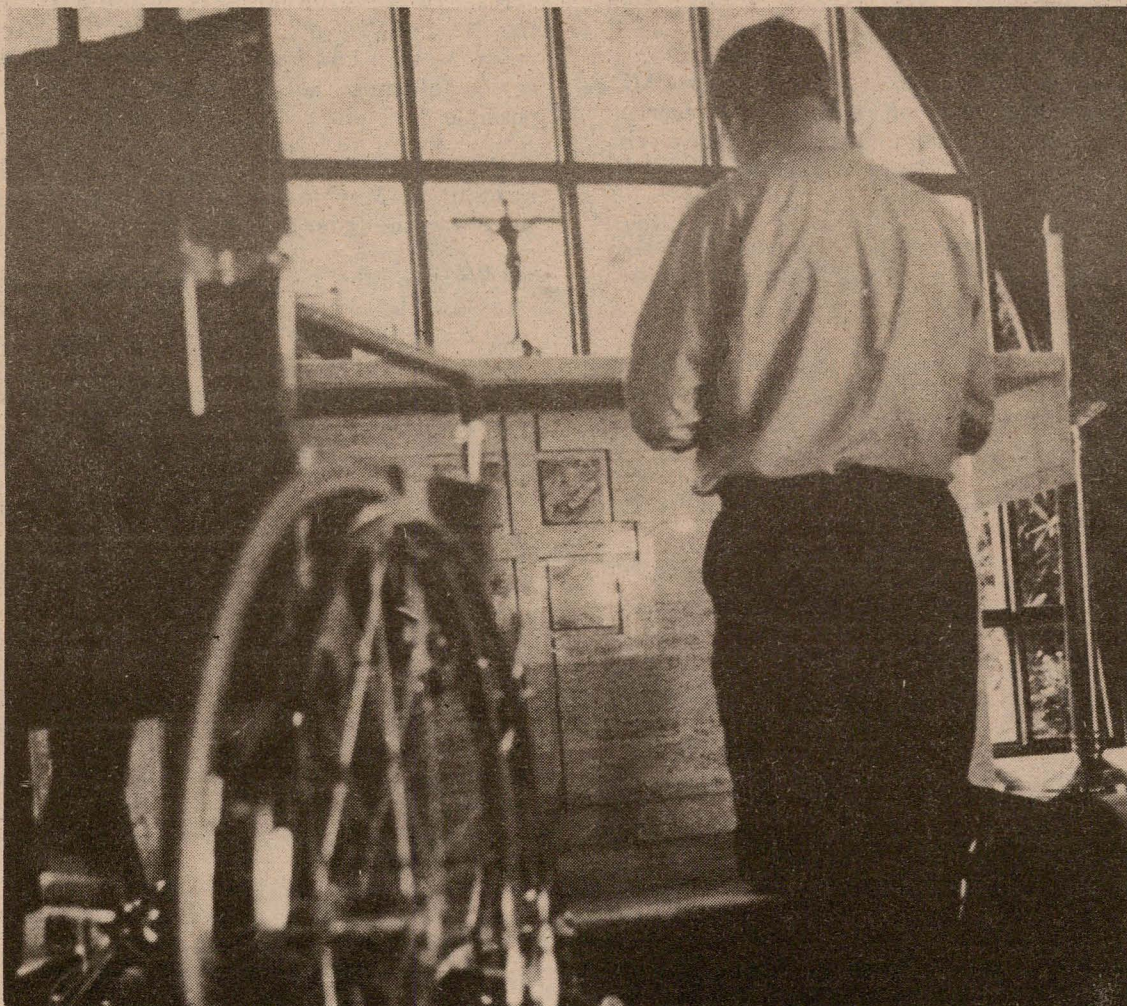
In addition to the pass-in-review, 57 people

will receive the Humanitarian Service Medal. Among those receiving the medal is Sp5 Artic Sheldon, who was stationed in Iran at the time of the evacuation of all Americans there.

Also earning the Humanitarian Service medal are SSgt. Frederick Glenister and Sp4 Gary Pulis of the 864th Engineer Battalion for their help in the cleanup of the Enewetok Atoll nuclear test site.

Gym to close Dec. 7

Users of post gym No. 1 will have to go elsewhere Dec. 7. The facility will be closed for testing of candidates applying for the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.



On the cover

As Presidians pause tomorrow to give thanks, some may be thankful for assistance they received through organizations sup-

ported by the Combined Federal Campaign. The CFC drive at the Presidio ended Monday but donations are still being accepted.

Briefly

Promos announced

Department of the Army officials have announced the following promotions during December:

Promotions on		
Grade	Nov. 1, 1980	Dec. 1, 1980
O6	57	56
O5	164	179
O4	225	263
O3	140	126
W4	28	24
W3	63	67
E8	376	407
E7	1064	942
E6	2390	2422
E5	4601	5474

MAC makes changes

Presidio soldiers making official travel on Military Airlift Command (MAC) flights may be pleased by a number of recent changes.

Wide-bodied jets and overseas passenger service out of St. Louis are to steps that MAC has taken to improve its worldwide passenger service.

The contracts for FY 81 provide wide-bodied jet service for 85 percent of MAC's customers, according to MAC transportation officials. All north pacific passengers will be carried by 747 aircraft.

MAC flights from Lambert International Airport in St. Louis, MAC's first inland overseas port, will begin Jan. 1. The 747's from there will fly to Japan and Korea twice weekly.

All wide-bodied aircraft are equipped with movies and stereos, and full passenger service, including beverages, will also be provided, officials add.

More than 63 percent of all DoD passenger traffic to Japan and Korea could be routed through St. Louis, officials offer. The inland port concept, according to MAC experts, will save \$5.8 million a year in one-way travel money for the defense department.

Bond rates up

Presidio soldiers who buy bonds are getting an extra bonus starting this month.

The U. S. Treasury Department will raise interest rates by one percent for all U. S. Savings Bonds and Savings Notes starting in November, according to the Interagency Savings Bonds Committee.

All Series E, EE, H and HH Savings Bonds, as well as Outstanding Savings Notes (Freedom Shares), will be affected by the interest rate increase.

Rates for Series EE bonds, bought on or after Nov. 1, 1980, will jump from seven to eight percent when they are held to maturity. Officials add that the maturity time for these bonds has been shortened from 11 to nine years.

Series HH bonds will have their rates increased from 6-1/2 to 7-1/2 percent. The maturity period for these bonds remains at 10 years.

Series E and H bonds, along with savings notes, will also benefit from the additional one percent rate increase starting in November, officials explain. The maturity period for these bonds/notes will not change.

The increases are a result of recent legislation which allows the U. S. Treasury Secretary to raise interest rates one percent during any six-month period.



A little body work

A civilian was treated for minor injuries at LAMC and released after a single car accident on Lincoln Boulevard Monday at 7 p.m. The man was cited

for driving under the influence of alcohol and driving without a license. (Photo by Ken Juber)

Warnings issued on post parking

The Presidio Provost Marshal's Office is repeating warnings to drivers to watch where they are parking.

According to Maj. Robert Meybin of the PMO, motorists who insist on parking in reserved spaces without a parking permit or those who park illegally in handicapped parking slots will be ticketed.

"What it boils down to is if you park illegally," Meybin said, "it's your own fault if you get a ticket."

Noting that the military policeman are normally the ones to catch motorists are over tickets, Meybin stresses that the MP's are only doing their job.

"All we are doing is enforcing the rules," he says.

Part of the problem with doing their job,

Meybin explains, is that those rules are spread across three different sets of directives and regulations. To help streamline the parking rules, Meybin and his staffs have undertaken a review of those policies with an eye towards possible revision.

For those who get tickets that they feel are unjustified, Meybin suggests that they take the tickets to the federal magistrate.

"We are not here to fix tickets," Meybin stresses. "If someone has a complaint about a citation, that is should be left to the magistrate."

Many times, Meybin notes, persons parking in handicapped spaces end up with tickets because they do not have disabled tags on their cars.

"We had one man who even had the tags, but just didn't put them on his car," Meybin says. "He got a ticket."

CID investigates coke busts

by Jon Chelgren

The Criminal Investigation Command is continuing investigations into a pair of unrelated cocaine arrests made on post last month.

According to Maj. Robert Meybin of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office, four Fort Ord soldiers were booked on charges of possession of cocaine after they were arrested in the parking lot of the NCO and Enlisted Club at approximately 1 a.m. on Oct. 16.

A routine MP patrol through the parking lot observed five persons in a car passing and smoking something, Meybin says. When the MP's

approached the vehicle one of the passengers opened the rear door and tossed several packets of a white powder believed to be cocaine under the car, he says.

A fifth suspect in the car was later released after the four soldiers confirmed that she knew nothing of the cocaine being in the vehicle.

In an unrelated case, Meybin confirmed that another individual had been arrested on cocaine charges but declined further comment pending the investigation's conclusion.

Meybin could not speculate when those investigations would be finished.

Thanksgiving preparations start

Photos & Story by Tim Dewar

The 864th Engineer Battalion dining facility is preparing for the Thanksgiving Day festivities that are being planned there.

Not only will the dining facility be decorated in the Thanksgiving mood, they have also planned a meal that includes turkey, ham, rolled turkey, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie, along with a number of other Thanksgiving goodies.

According to SFC Donald Isberg, mess sergeant at the dining facility, "Everyone is really excited. We are preparing ourselves for the holiday."

The dining facility will be open from 7 to 8 a.m. for breakfast on Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving Day dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for personnel without dependents or guests. Dinner for officers and enlisted personnel with dependents or guests will be served from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

The evening meal for all personnel will be served from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The price for personnel on separate rations, dependents and guest will be \$2.05, plus a \$1.25 surcharge. For children under the age of 12, the price will be \$1 plus a \$1.25 surcharge.



Sp5's Charley Baker (l.) and Bob Encarnacion start preparations for the Thanksgiving day feast at the 864th Engineer dining facility. Holiday treats will

include not only turkey, but ham, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie. (Photo by Tim Dewar)

Special schedules for Thanksgiving feasts at post dining facilities announced

Story by Tim Dewar

Thanksgiving to some may mean a vacation, but for most it means a turkey dinner with all the fixings.

This Thanksgiving, the post dining facilities have announced special times for the Thanksgiving Day meals.

The 864th Engineer Battalion dining facility will be serving breakfast from 7 to 8 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day dinner for enlisted person-

nel without dependents or guests will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Officers and enlisted personnel with dependents or guests will be served from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Supper will be served for all personnel from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The Letterman Army Medical Center dining facility will be serving breakfast from 6 to 8 a.m. and will be serving dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. continuously.

The 170th Military Police Battalion dining facility will serve breakfast from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Enlisted personnel without guests for dependents will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Enlisted personnel and officers with guests and dependents will be served from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Supper will be served from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The cost for personnel on separate rations will be \$2.05, meal cost for dependents and guests will be \$2.05 plus a \$1.25 surcharge.

Eight day festival begins at sundown

Jewish Hanukkah starts Tuesday



'Feast of Lights'

PRACTICING to light the first candle on the menorah is Tirza Shulman, as her father, Maj. Robert Shulman, a radiology at LAMC, and her

mother, Renee, look on with her brothers, Cyle and Julian, and Chaplain William Z. Dalin. (Photo by Chuck Dasey)

Hanukkah, the eight day Jewish Feast of Lights and Rededication, begins this year at sundown Tuesday, and ends on Wednesday, Dec. 10.

Basic to the celebration of this happy festival, according to Rabbi William Z. Dalin, Jewish chaplain, is the kindling of the Hanukkah lights. On the first evening, one light is lit and on the second, two are kindled. The number of candles lit is increased by one on each successive night.

On the eighth evening, the entire menorah is illuminated.

an extra candle, the "shamas," is lit each night and used to light the other candles.

The festival commemorates the successful struggle for religious liberty led by the Maccabees against their Syrian oppressors in the year 165 B. C. The struggle culminated in a great victory for the Jewish people who rededicated the temple in Jerusalem to the service of God, and rekindled the menorah in the sanctuary.

A candle lighting ceremony will take place Friday, Dec. 5, at 12:15 p.m. in the LAMC Chapel, followed by coffee and donuts. There will also be a candle lighting ceremony for Jewish military personnel and their families Monday, December 8, at 6 p.m. at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Shulman, 344A Arguella Blvd. with singing, entertainment and gifts for children and refreshments.

Time to spare

Santa Claus starts his rounds this Friday

A totem pole carving demonstration by Norman Tait will begin today at 11 a.m. in the M. H. De Young Memorial Museum in Golden Gate Park. Tait will carve from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for an expected 10 days.

A Thanksgiving Day feast plus entertainment with Bishop Norman Williams and Dr. Eddie Henderson is scheduled for Thanksgiving Day from 1 to 3 p.m. at 345 Divisadero Street.

A community candlelight procession with Santa Claus, music and food will begin at 4th and E Streets Friday. The procession will proceed to the Courthouse.

Santa Claus will lead a parade Friday at 9:30 a.m. at the Sun Valley Shopping Center in Concord.

A crafts fair—Old Wives' Tales, will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 1017 Valencia Street.

A pottery fair is scheduled for Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hall of Flowers in Golden Gate Park.

San Francisco State's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will perform Tuesday at 8 p.m. in State's Knuth Hall.

"The Threepenny Opera" a musical about middle-class morality, opens Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. at San Francisco State University. Performances are also scheduled for Dec. 5, 6, 12, and 13 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 14 at 2 p.m.

For information call the box office at (415) 469-2467.

A symphonic Psalm, "King David," will be performed Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. in State's McKenna Theatre. For reservations and additional information call the box office at (415) 469-2467.

A Christmas Cookie making demonstration will be held at the Presidio Recreation Center Dec. 9 and 11 at 7 p.m.

The Outdoor Recreation Center will sponsor a bicycle trip to Angel Island, Dec. 14.

Participants will meet at the Outdoor Recreation Center at 9 a.m. and depart by bicycle for Pier 43½ to catch the 10 a.m. ferry.

The trip will include an "Introduction to Angel Island" briefing and a five mile trip around the perimeter road.

Bicycles, packs, and canteens will be provided by Outdoor Recreation. Participants should bring their own lunch.

Deadline for sign up is 5 p.m. Dec. 10.

A preliminary meeting to discuss biking safety, the route and to issue equipment will be held at 5 p.m. Dec. 11 at the Outdoor Recreation Center.

The trip is free of charge. For more information call 561-4324 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

A dough art workshop will be held Dec. 6 and 13 at the post craftship.

Each workshop begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m. with lunch included in the \$7.50 fee.

The workshops are limited to eight participants each. For more information or to sign up call 561-4497.



Hope you like it

Darryl Brock (l.) and Jeannette Bair are among the 20 members of the Academy of Media and Theater Arts production of "Winterglow," opening at the Presidio Playhouse on next Thursday.

The musical production is an original, including dances and scenes woven from material written by the cast, and celebrates this special holiday time of the year. (Photo by Janet Novak)

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater
Nov. 26 **Prom Night (R)** 7 p.m.
Nov. 27 **The Rose (R)** 7 p.m.
Nov. 28 **The Rose (R)** 7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater
Nov. 26 **Pain in the A— (PG)** 7 p.m.
Nov. 27 **Yanks (R)** 7 p.m.
Nov. 28 **Being There (PG)** 7 p.m.
Dec. 1 **The Black Stallion (G)** 7 p.m.
Dec. 2 **Final Countdown (PG)** 7 p.m.
Dec. 3 **Prom Night (R)** 7 p.m.
Dec. 4 **The Rose (R)** 7 p.m.

Dec. 5 **School Days (R)** 7 p.m.
Presidio Reviews

The late 1960s is remembered as a time of crisis. It was the rock concert stars who spoke for that generation, and for her debut in films Bette Midler explodes in the **Rose**, a dramatic recreation of that era with its authentic music. Co-starring Alan Bates and Frederic Forrest. The **Rose** deals with a young, multitasking and self-destructive performer (Midler) whose love affairs and professional triumphs never completely satisfy her lonely restlessness.

Regents degree program offered

Presidio education officials are advising post soldiers wanting college degrees to look at the Regents External Degree Program run through the New York State Board of Regents.

The program offers degrees in eight degrees in the arts and sciences, business and nursing.

Of particular interest to soldiers, the officials note, is the fact that the program offers military personnel a variety of ways to earn credit towards their degrees without a residency requirement for either enrollment or graduation.

Soldiers can receive credit for college-level proficiency exams, military training and a host of other non-traditional sources.

Since all enrollment, evaluation and degree approval is handled by mail, the program is ideal for military personnel, the officials say.

For more information contact the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-4445/2974.

Sports

Jimmy's picks of the week

Jimmy the Freak once again lays it on the line with his picks of the week.

Washington 24, Atlanta 17

The 'Skins are playing for survival and pride.

Detroit 20, Chicago 16

If Walter Payton stays on the suspended list, the Bears may not score even the sixteen points I predict.

Dallas 27, Seattle 13

The Seahawks have really been a disappointment this year. The Cowboys are too-tall and too talented for them to handle.

New England 35, San Francisco 10

Who's kidding who? Blow-out of the day.

Pittsburg 27, Miami 20

The Steelers have all the advantages—home field, home crowd and more talent. Besides, it'll be a lot colder than being in Miami.

St. Louis 23, New York Giants 13

The Cardinals over the Dead End Kids of football. Only the Giants could make even the 49'ers look good.

Baltimore 30, Buffalo 24

This score depends on two things—Bert Jones being healthy and the Bills experiencing a letdown from last week's win over Pittsburgh.

Kansas City 20, Cincinnati 10

The Chiefs will make the playoffs next year. The Bengals will show up.

Minnesota 27, New Orleans 17

Only a mother could love a team as ugly as the Saints.

Tampa Bay 16, Green Bay 13

Does anybody really care?

Houston 26, Cleveland 23

A real tough game to predict. This could go into overtime.

Los Angeles 31, New York Jets 13

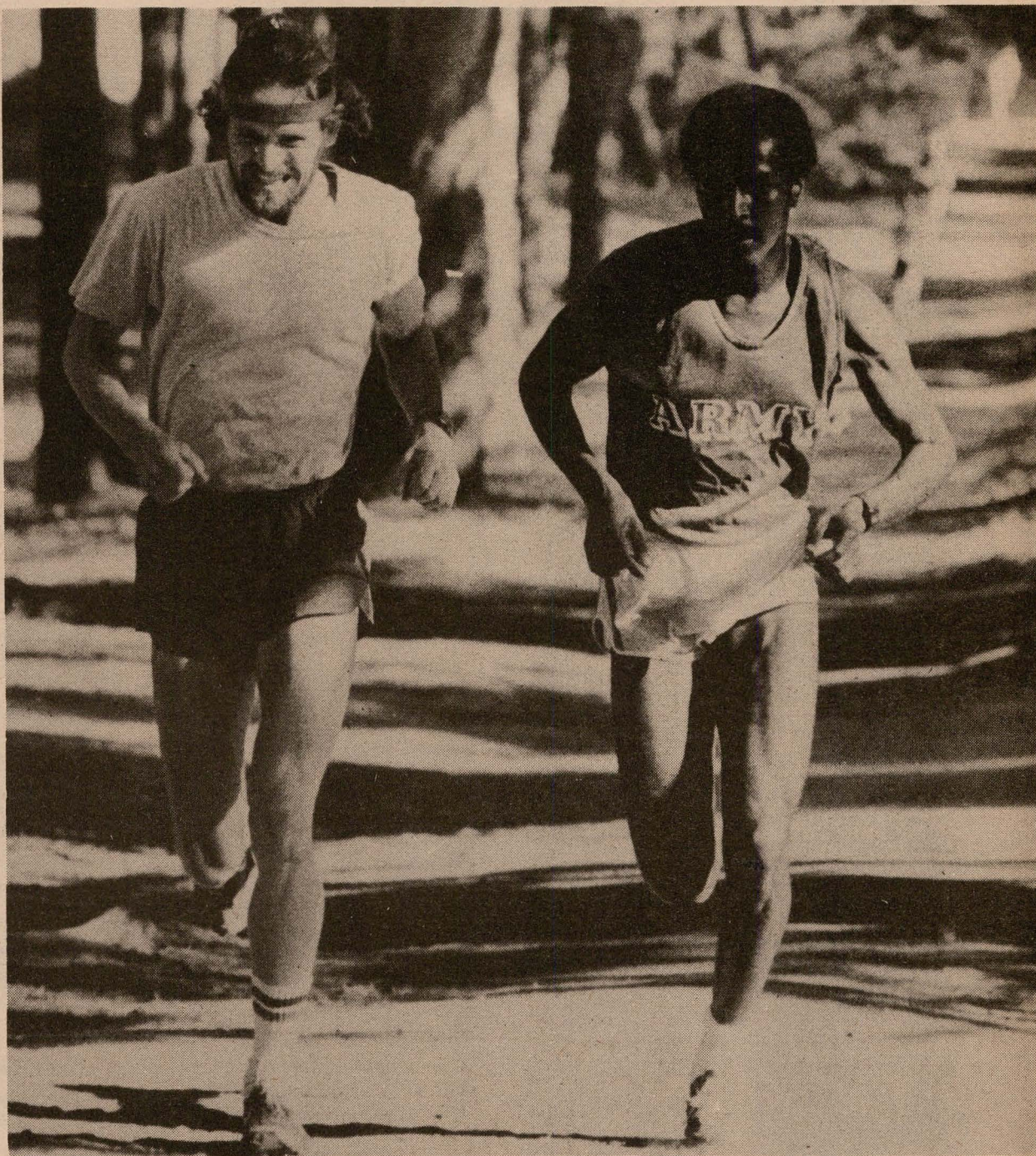
The Jets got lucky against the Oilers. Don't look for miracles two weeks in a row.

San Diego 24, Philadelphia 20

The Eagles have already assured themselves of being in the playoffs, so they'll be a little less hungry for this game.

Oakland 26, Denver 17

The Raiders are for real. Not enough offense for the Broncos to win this week.



Battle for the lead

Jay Gerhig (l.) and Reggie Humdy battle for the lead during the post cross country championship.

Gerhig went on to win the open division with a time of 18:08. (Photo by Noli Manas)

Gerhig wins title

The annual post cross-country championship was held on a cool, crisp day, as 50 runners charged up and down the Presidio hills.

Numerous division records were broken on a very tough course. The leaders were away very quickly over the first portion of the course as Glen Rouse, LAMC, lead the way.

Jay Gerhig, USPHS, and Reggie Humdy, LAMC, caught and passed Rouse as the uphill portion of the run took its toll on all the runners. Humdy and Gerhig ran together to the top of the course at the Arguello Gate. Gerhig then surged ahead on the bumpy downhill to gradually pull away to victory (18:08 to 18:22).

Gerhig won the open division as Rouse came in second. Humdy won the submaster division easily over Rich Ritter, LAMC, 20:21, in an age group record. Michael McConnell, LAMC, again defended his master's division title (40 years plus) in 24:16. The top male civilian runner was Chuck Dasey, LAMC, in a solid time of 20:30.

The women's division produced fireworks as the top runners met head-to-head and produced three course records.

Linda Wettstein, LAMC, Valerie Coppes, LAIR, and Rebecca LaBissoniere, LAIR, were the principal runners leading the way.

Wettstein surged to a gradual lead over Coppes and LaBissoniere early in the race. She increased it to over 150 yards through steep hills leading up to the Arguello Gate. Coppes was trailed closely by LaBissoniere as both vainly tried to maintain close contact with Wettstein.

The downhill portion lead to quick finishes as Wettstein increased her lead and powered to a new course record of 22:50.

Meanwhile, Coppes and LaBissoniere were finishing closely as Coppes ran 24:23 to LaBissoniere's 24:45.

Coppes bettered her old record and LaBissoniere established a new woman's military record.

Men, women take four

In last week's Post Basketball action, the Presidio's women's and men's teams were victorious over the visitors from Mather Air Force Base in all four games.

In Friday's game, the Presidio women's team, who are now 3-1 in league play, came out determined to get back into winning form, after losing last weekend to Beale Air Force Base, by outplaying an error prone Mather and winning 64-38.

Presidio, relied on its bench throughout much of the game with each member contributing not only on defense but on offense as well.

Team scoring honors went to Phyllis Singleton and Marilyn Johnson, who scored 12 points apiece.

In the men's game, the Presidians survived a lackluster first half performance, 33-31.

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Presidio News Notes

Bake Sale set

The Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten will be holding a Christmas Handicraft and Bake Sale on Dec. 6 at the Post Exchange Mall beginning at 10 a.m.

All handicraft and bake sale items will be made by the parents and children of the Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten.

Funds raised at the sale will aid in purchasing additional equipment needed by the school.

Handicraft donations may be brought to the school on Dec. 3, 4 and 5. Bake Sale items may be brought to the school on Dec. 5 or Dec. 6 before 10 a.m.

Meeting scheduled

Due to the overwhelming initial response, the Blue Cross, Blue Shield representative, Bernice Morgan, will conduct two more sessions during open season to explain the 1981 changes in the government-wide Service Benefit Plan.

The meeting will be held in building 603 in the av training room, on Dec. 3 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Racquetball tourney set

The Sports Branch will conduct a racquetball tournament from Dec. 5-7 to select a team to represent the Presidio in the FORSCOM tournament at Fort Hood, Texas, Jan. 19-23.

Finishers in the following categories will compete in the FORSCOM championship:

Open Division (any age)—top two men
Senior Division (36 years and over)—top two men

Women's Division—top two women

Alternates will be picked according to the order of finish in each respective division. Appropriate awards will be presented to the top two finishers in each division.

For additional information, contact John Funes at the main post gym at 561-5032/3364.

Orientation scheduled

San Francisco State University has scheduled an orientation and advising meeting for people considering a return to school who wish to learn what S.F. State can offer. The meeting will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the student union basement on the S.F. State campus.

Veteran hiring rises

Hiring in Federal agencies under the Veterans Readjustment (VRA) program rose 19 percent in the first half of FY 80, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) officials say.

During that six month period, which ran from October 1979 through March 1980, 12,708 positions were filled. This figure compares—with the 10,709 positions filled under VRA in the last half of FY 79. Army VRA figures for the same period totaled 2,434.

The VRA program is designed to provide jobs for disadvantaged veterans and allows federal agencies to hire them without civil service exam competition. After two weeks of satisfactory employment and training, veterans' jobs are then converted to permanent career appointments, officials say.

Established by an executive order in 1970, the program was expanded and improved by public law 95-52C in October 1979. Some of the improvements under this law include broader eligibility requirements, higher grade levels, and waived educational limits.

For more information, contact the Presidio Civilian Personnel Office.



A winning shot

Tony Rose won Photo of the Week honors with this shot of downtown San Francisco. His photo now goes on to the quarterly competition. If you

have a photo you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 216.

Information will be presented about the Re-Entry Students Program, and faculty and staff members will describe admissions procedures, academic opportunities, financial aid, advising, testing, support programs and other programs. An opportunity will be available to ask questions

and share concerns with other re-entry students. For those interested in learning about Credit

by Evaluation for Experiential Learning (CEEL) an orientation will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the student union basement. CEEL is a program which evaluates non-traditional, non-classroom learning for academic credit.

For further information, call 469-2261 or visit the Academic Information Center, Room 255 in the new administration building on the S.F. State campus.

Basketball

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Neither teams could find the hot hand and each turned the ball over numerous times.

In the second half, the Presidians came out doing what they do best, running and pushing the ball upcourt and playing man-to-man defense.

This constant pressure on offense and defense resulted in several short lived 10 point leads.

It wasn't until the final minutes of the game that the Presidians were able to maintain the lead by freezing the ball and running out the clock. High scorers for the Presidians were Duane Gibson, 34 points and Ed Leftwich, 19 points.

In Saturday's action, the women's got off to a good start and an early lead, and maintained it throughout the game for a 65-51 win.

In the second half, the Presidians temporarily lost their composure, letting Mather pull within six points. But a smothering defense and some hot shooting by Phyllis Singleton, 28 points, and Marilyn Johnson, eventually put the Presidians back in control.

In the men's game, both teams had difficulties with stopping each other on offense, which resulted in a see-saw battle, with the Presidians eventually coming out ahead, 89-83.

Scoring leaders for the Presidio where Antho Braddy, 39 points, and Duane Gibson, 24 points.

Ordnance blasts MPs

In the big game of the week, the 548th/87th Ordnance continued their dominance in the 1980 post championship flag football play-offs by trouncing the only other undefeated team, the 170th MP's 24-6.

During the first half, both teams played evenly on defense, as well as offense, with the sole score coming with less than two minutes remaining, from 548th/87th's quarterback, Scott Carr, on a keeper.

During the second half, the 170th MP's offense fell apart, causing numerous turnovers with two errors resulting from hiking the ball over the punter's head on fourth down and giving the 548th/87th ORD possession on their own 12 yard line.

The 548th/87th ORD took advantage of the turnovers scorings both times. The 548th/87th ORD scored twice more before the 170th MP's finally got on the scoreboard for their only points of the game on a 51 yard pass from quarterback Lonnie West to Kenneth Ransom.

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Insulation project underway

by Tom Tiernan

A project to put insulation into 104 post buildings began on Monday.

According to Mr. Edward Crane, chief of the DFAE utilities branch, the project involves family quarters in the 100, 400, 500, and 700 areas. Some residents in the 1200 and 1300 areas will also be visited by the contractors.

Installing the insulation will take just one day, but occupants will be required to be on hand. Since the contractor has until June 11, 1981 to complete the project, Crane says any problems with the schedule can be worked out.

"We are doing everything possible to reduce the inconvenience to quarter residents. Any damage or modification to the quarters will be repaired right away," states Crane.

Crane also points out that there will be no work done during the Christmas holidays beginning Dec. 18 and concluding on Jan. 5, 1981.

Residents will be notified when the contractor is scheduled to work in their quarters at least seven days in advance. "We are working closely with family housing to insure occupants received letters at least a week in advance," emphasizes Crane.

The project, which costs nearly \$82,000, will involve placing roll type insulation into ceilings. Those quarters which do not permit this type of operation will have the insulation blown in through a hose.

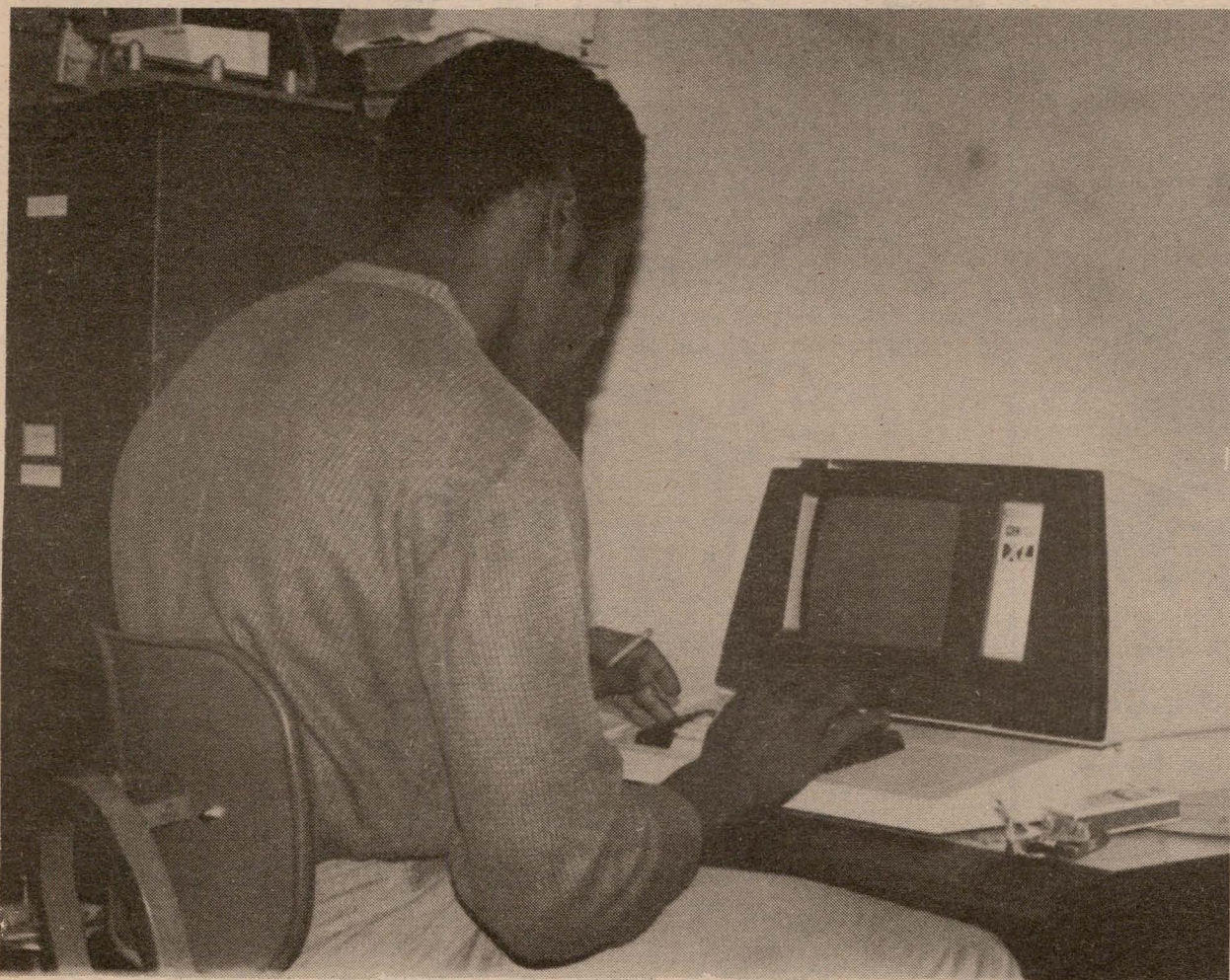
Understudy since 1977, the project is being funded by the Energy Conservation Investment Programs, and uses no post funds. It is designed to make post quarters warmer and cut the cost of energy.



An early snow fall?

A civilian contractor begins installing insulation in the first of 104 post buildings.

Why haven't I gotten my telephone bill?



Let me look into my crystal computer

An employee of the comptroller's office traces a telephone bill for a quarter's resident. Presidians who have class B service in their homes will soon

be receiving a combined bill for the months of October and November. The bills have been delayed due to the installation of a new system.

Story and photo by Tim Dewar

Haven't received your October or November phone bills yet? Well, relax, it's not an early Christmas present from Uncle Sam.

According to officials of the Comptroller's office, a combined telephone bill for the post class B system covering the months of October and November is on its way.

The bills have been delayed due to the installation of a new system for storing and maintaining payment records, reports Mr. James R. Parker, chief of accounting for the Comptroller.

Problems with the tape which stores all of the records resulted in a two week delay while reprogramming took place.

Under the Standard Army Finance System, which was used previously, records were stored on cards, states Parker, "If these cards were lost or destroyed, we would have no way to bill the customers, or keep any kind of records at all.

"When a partial payment was received, personnel would have to search through every one of the cards by hand," Parker said.

"Now," Parker added, "accounts are placed on a tape which allows for faster and easier updating of the accounts received."

Parker also points out that, "The tape allows customers inquiries to be answered faster because it provides a "trail" to track down the information needed."

It is hoped that the new system will make collecting and crediting of telephone accounts easier and faster.

Opinion

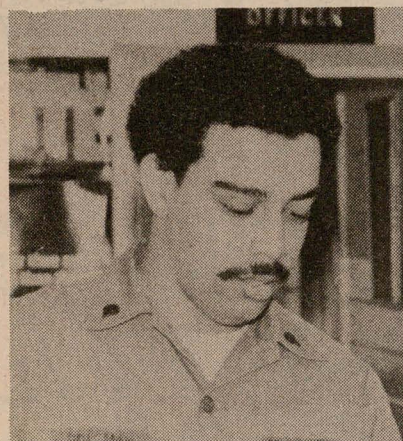
Ramblin' Sam

Are you ready to go to war?



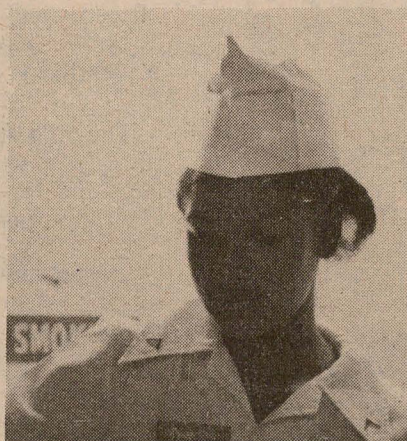
Lt. Col. William N. Colbert, Sixth Army—
"Well yes, because I've
been there. I spent two
tours in Vietnam."

PFC Cynthia Jeter,
HQ Co. USAG—"Yes,
I'm ready. I think the
women should be the first
to go."



Spec 4 Louis Dole-
man, Operations, 170th
MP Bn.—"If I have to,
I'm ready."

Pvt. Wanda Wayne,
USAG dining facility—
"Not with the basic train-
ing experience I
received."



Sgt. Mario Estrada,
343rd Medical Detach-
ment—"I don't think so,
but with four months of
intense training, I could
be ready."



Tin soldiers

The soldiers in this photo are part of a display at the Presidio Army Museum. They represent, however, our enemies of the past who have come into battle better prepared than the United States. Just 39

years ago on Dec. 7, we learned how unprepared for war we were when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Can we afford to ignore training or sit back saying, "No one would attack us." The answer is no.

Ready for war?

Are you ready to go to war?

That's the question Gen. R.M. Shoemaker, FORSCOM commander, recently asked a soldier.

After a few seconds of hesitation the soldier blurted out, "Yes, sir." To which the general replied, "Let's just hope no one decides to give a war to find out if you are."

The general was not trying to scare or intimidate the soldier, he was just trying to impress upon him the importance of not only thinking it but actually being ready.

Later the soldier and I had an opportunity to discuss whether we were ready. Unfortunately, we decided we weren't as ready as we should be.

I am afraid that if the question was put to soldiers here, they would also say they are not ready as they should be.

Most of us view training as a big pain in the neck. We try to think of 10,000 different reasons for not going to classes, trying to get out of

PT, or doing our SQI work.

We seem to forget that we are soldiers first, and journalists, clerks, medics, communicators and aviators second. The primary job of a soldier is to "defend," whether it is his nation or his self.

The dislike of training even extends to some of our NCOs who say they can't achieve the mission because their soldiers are off training. How do they expect to get the job done in a time of war, if their people aren't prepared?

The mission of the preace-time Army is to maintain the peace, to deter war. The only way we are going to do this is to be ready, strong and vigilant.

The American people are showing a strong concern about the ability of the Army and its sister services to defend the nation's vital interests.

Isn't it time we got on with the task of making sure that we are ready and able to go to war if the balloon ever goes up?

The Editor

Star Presidian

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Mysterious end for fund drive

The 1980 Combined Federal Campaign has ended shrouded in mystery, according to Maj. Jerry Connors, post project officer.

Connors reports that Presidians contributed more than \$31,600 topping last year's total by more than \$4,000. The mystery of the situation is that fewer people donated than last year.

During the 1979 drive, 62 percent of those contracted donated, this year only 42 percent.

"We've been talking to alot of folks and I feel this situation of fewer people giving more was caused by a number of things. First, there were a number of negative things going on last year

such as the beginning of paid parking, the threat of the Presidio being closed, and the 1979 pay raise was very small.

"This year people have grown accustomed to paid parking and the pay raise was much bigger. Also I think our key persons were a little better prepared," Connors explains.

Another factor which Connors feels reflected in the percentage of participation is that some soldiers may have felt pressured to give last year to help their units. Therefore, they usually donated a dollar. This unintentional pressure apparently was missing during 1980.

When all the donations finish filtering in, Con-

nors expects the post, including Sixth Army, Letterman Army Medical Center, and Institute of Research to have added more than \$74,000 to CFC's coffers.

An annual drive, CFC is designed to keep military and civilians on military installations from being hassled by solicitators year round. Much of the money donated is returned to the Presidians and their families in the form of services provided by the American Red Cross, the USO, the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts.

Funds from CFC have recently been going to the Presidio Child Care Center.

Gift wrapping service available

PX expands hours for X-mas shoppers

It's beginning to look alot like Christmas, especially if you've visited the PX recently.

The crowds have been growing larger every day. To help ease the Christmas rush, the PX has expanded its hours.

The new hours which will run through Dec. 3, are: Monday through Friday—9:30 a.m to 7 p.m., Saturday—9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday—11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

These hours apply to both the main store and Toyland.

On Christmas and New Year's Eve the stores will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. All PX facilities will be closed Christmas and New Year's Day.

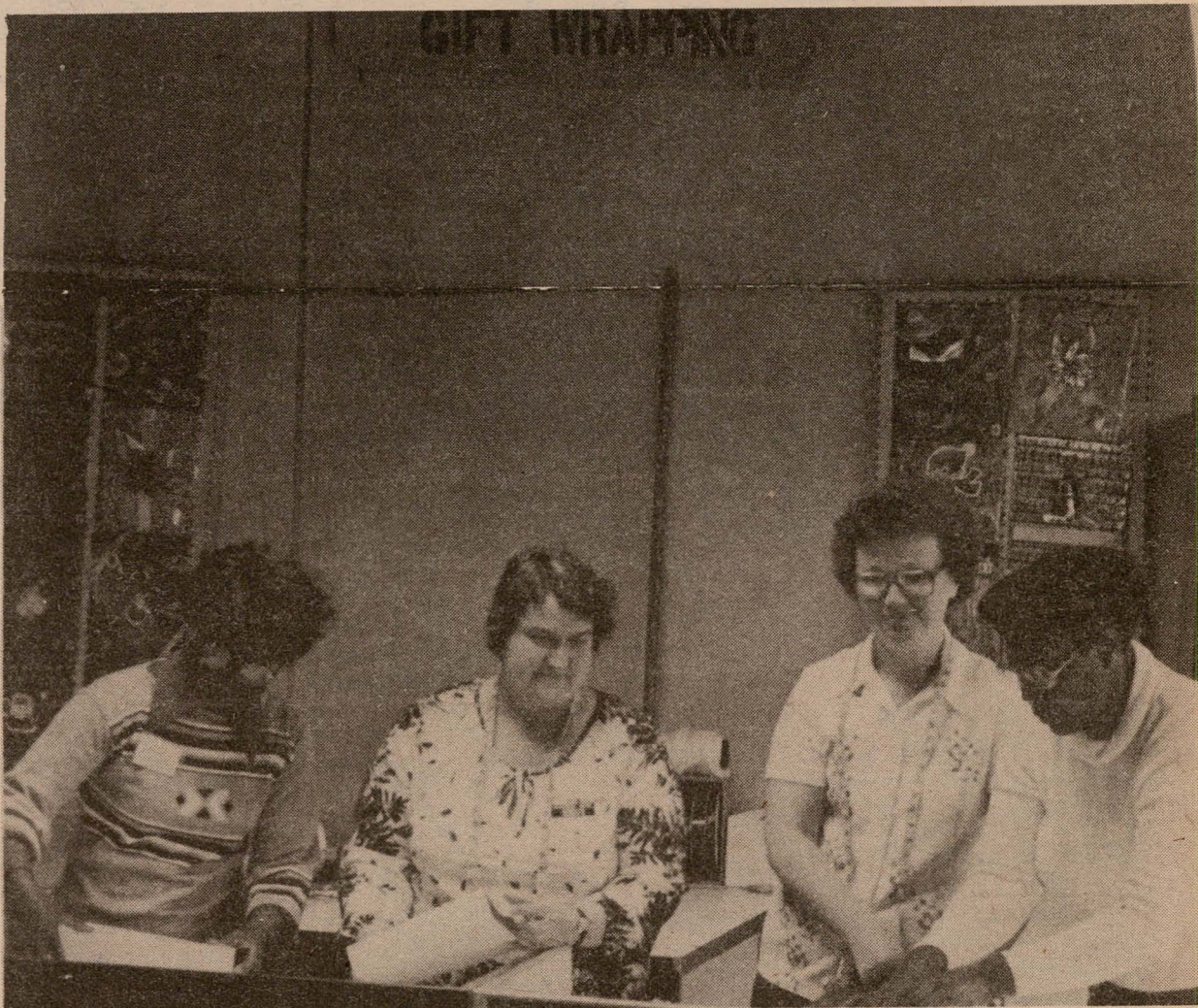
To help cut the waiting time for customers desiring gift wrapping, the PX and four private organizations are running a gift wrapping service in the breezeway.

According to Mrs. Mary Schuster of ACS, Army Community Service workers plus members of the Enlisted Men's Wife's Club, the Letterman Women's Club and the Presidio, Officers' Club will be operating the booth during the PX store hours of the PX.

The exchange system is supplying the paper and ribbons but all proceeds go to the four organizations.

Last year the booth raised \$1,600 and Schuster expects that figure to climb even higher.

To avoid long waits, Schuster advises shoppers to bring their gifts to the booth early.



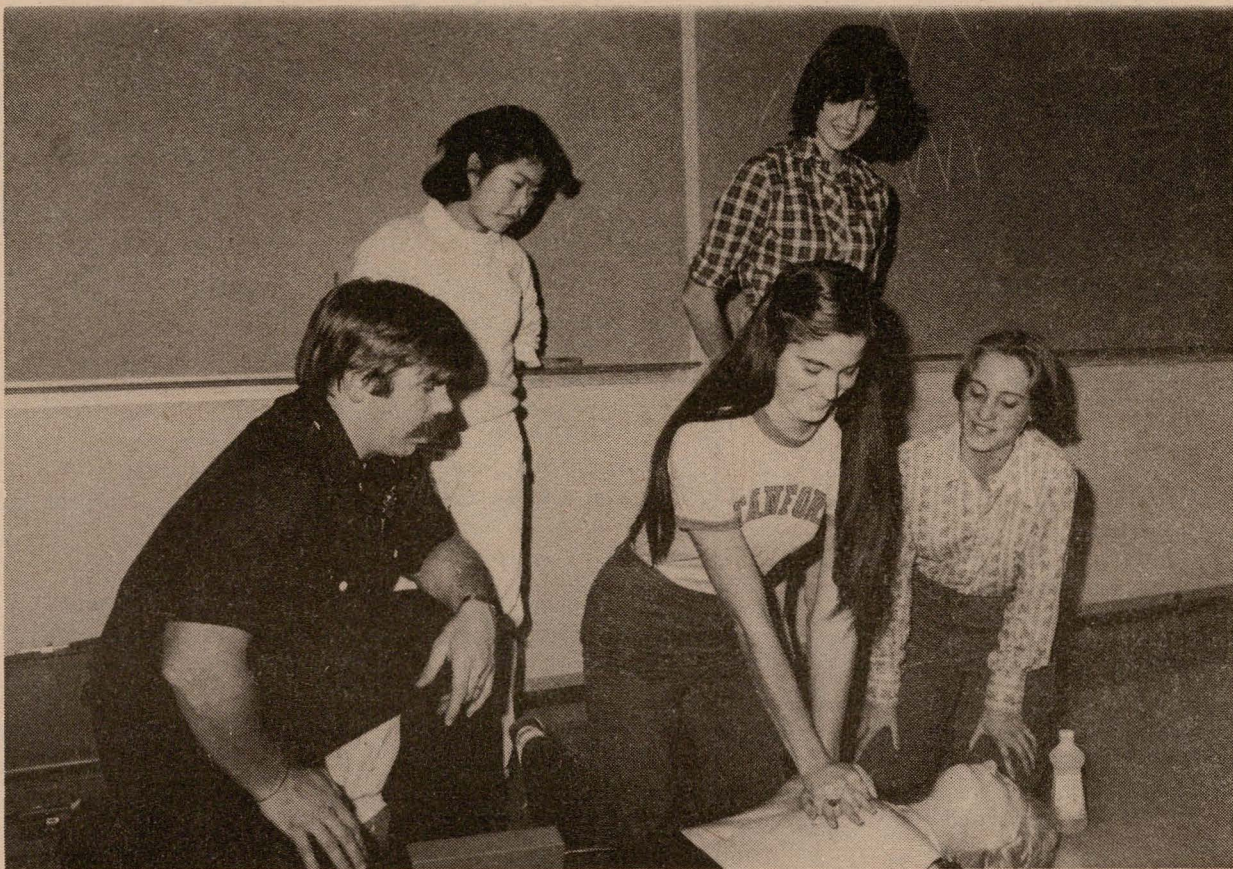
Wrapping things up

Mrs. Eunice George, Mrs. Grace Hotchkiss, Mrs. Anita Evans, and Mrs. Charlene Bell, operate the

gift wrapping booth in the PX breezeway. Four organizations profit from the booth.

Explorers learn to save lives

Members of Medical Explorer Post 38, sponsored by Letterman Army Medical Center recently received cardio-pulmonary resuscitation training. Jim Roseman a member of the Presidio Fire Department, supervises hands-on training for the Explorer Post's officers. Standing are Cathy Tom, vice president, and Lydia Fanucci, secretary. Margaret Fanucci, president, practices chest compressions, as Denise Harrington, treasurer, looks on. (Photo by Chuck Dasey)



Long walks ahead for some kids



All aboard

Presidio children board the school bus.

Post officials are repeating warnings to Presidio parents that their children must either behave on school buses or face being denied transportation.

The post operates several buses which take children from the Presidio to area private schools. The younger children—which the system is designed to take care of—are not at the root of the problem, Terpstra says. Many times, however, older children ride the buses home in the afternoons and end up creating disturbances.

According to Bruce Terpstra, chief of the post's Transportation Branch, the behavior of some children on the buses is one of the biggest problems he must deal with.

The drivers, Terpstra says, have their hands full doing their jobs and simply cannot drive and keep discipline on the bus at the same time.

As one method of dealing with the problem, Terpstra says, he normally assigns his more experienced drivers to the daily runs. Oftentimes, though, he must replace the drivers with substitutes who run into trouble.

Although a few children were denied further use of the buses last year, Terpstra says that action hasn't been taken this year. On several occasions though, he has had to call parents of Presidio children to warn them of the consequences of their children's behavior.

Underlying the problem, Terpstra notes that in the past some children have been injured when the bus driver was forced to slam on his brakes. Children wandering in the bus—rather than seated as they should be—pose a safety hazard Terpstra says.

Briefly

Sports on AFRTS

Soldiers on orders for overseas assignments will be pleasantly pleased to learn that they won't be missing their favorite sports events on television.

The Army American Forces Radio and Television Service networks overseas are offering same-day satellite telecasts of major pro games, special sports events, parades and presidential addresses to Europe, Korea, and Japan.

In addition, AFRTS-radio broadcasts around the clock seven days a week often airing sporting events live or by tape delay.

Radio broadcasts can be picked up on shortwave frequencies for those needed to remote areas.

To get a copy of the AFRTS Broadcast schedule and the current short-wave frequency list, write to: AFRTS Washington, 111 North 19th Street, Arlington, Va., 22209.

Comp rules change

Soldiers serving less than 365 days on active duty will no longer receive unemployment compensation upon discharge, according to officials at the U. S. Labor Department.

In October, Congress raised the eligibility period of unemployment pay from 90 to 365 days for people leaving the military. This applies to all servicemembers discharged on or after Oct. 1, 1980.

Advance training available to medical soldiers

Some Letterman Army Medical Center soldiers now have a solid opportunity for advanced training in their specialty.

According to Army medical department (AMEDD) officials, a critical need exists for enlisted personnel with advanced training in certain medical services areas. Because of this, the AMEDD has announced that medical personnel holding military occupational specialties 35G10, 92B, 91C10, 94F, 91R10, 42D20, or 91E are being encouraged to apply for the advanced training courses.

Critical needs exist for biomedical equipment repairers (35U), medical laboratory specialists (92B3), patient care specialists (91C3), hospital food service specialists (94F), veterinary specialist.

Personnel who apply for any of the above training must meet certain requirements to qualify for the advanced courses. Officials say.

To be considered for the 30-week long biomedical equipment repairer advanced course, a soldier must:

- Be a graduate of the 35G10, biomedical equipment course,
- Be in grade E-5 or above—officials say a grade waiver will be considered if all other requirements are met, and
- Have 25 months of active service remaining after completion of the course. This must be the case before the individual enters the training course.

Those personnel interested in the 50-week medical laboratory specialist advanced course must:

- Be a graduate of the 92B basic lab course with one year of experience at that level,
- Be in grade E-5 with a basic lab course with one year of experience at that level,
- Be in grade E-5 with a basic active service date (BASD) of 1976 or earlier—waivers will be considered on the BASD and the one year of experience requirements, and
- Have 29 months of service remaining after

completing the course. Again, the individual must have that amount of service time remaining before entering the course.

To be considered for the 40-week patient care specialist advanced course, a servicemember must:

- Be a graduate of the 91C10 course with at least six months experience at that level,
- Be in grade E-4 or E-5, and
- Before entering the course, have 27 months remaining in service on completing the course.

Soldiers holding most 94F can apply for the seven-week hospital food service specialist advanced course if they are in grade E-5 or E-6. Also, E-4 soldiers holding the 94F MOS can apply

if they are on a current promotion standing list, officials comment. Personnel accepted for the training must have nine or more months remaining in service on completing the course.

The 10-week veterinary specialist advanced course requires applicants to have:

- One year of experience at the 91R10 level—waivers will be considered, and
- Ten months service remaining after completing the advanced training.

Enlisted medical people wanting to attend the 10-week senior dental laboratory specialist course must have one year of experience at the 42D20 level. Applicants must also have 10 months service left after completing the training.

Soldiers with a desire to attend the 44-week dental hygienist course must:

- Hold a primary MOS of 91E,
- Have one year of experience in the MOS,
- Be in grades E-4 or E-5,
- Have a general technical (GT)/Skill Technical (ST) score of 100 or higher,
- Have letters of recommendation from supervisors, and
- Have 28 months active service left after completing the course.

Interested LAMC soldiers should contact their unit personnel NCO for more information.

Four more offer airfare discount

Four more airlines have joined the growing list offering 50 percent reduction for soldiers traveling on leave.

Eastern, Northwest Orient, Piedmont, and Braniff recently joined Trans World Airlines (TWA), American, Continental, United, USAIR and Western Airlines which were already offering the reduced fare. With the exception of USAIR, which has no expiration date, the reduced fares are offered on a trial basis until March 31, 1981.

TWA started to move to reduce "furlough"

fares on Oct. 15 in response to an appeal to the presidents of the major airlines by Military Traffic Management Command commander, Maj. Gen. John D. Bruen.

"The response by these ten airlines is a definite boost to the morals and welfare of military personnel everywhere," Bruen said in a recent release by DA. "We are looking for increased carrier participation, to include all airlines, plus an indefinite extension past the Mar. 31, 1981 date."

TWA and USAIR offer the 50 percent discount

on all domestic routes, while the other eight provide the reduced fare on selected routes only.

Piedmont offers the fare on selected routes but with no restriction on dates of travel. The other nine airlines do not offer the 50 percent discount on Dec. 19, 20, and 24, 1980 and Jan. 3, 4, and 5, 1981.

Travelers are encouraged to shop around for the lowest fares. Some excursion rates offer good savings but there are restrictions on the length of stay and ticket purchase deadlines depending on the airline.

Give Joey more than a burnt truck

Story by Tim Dewar

Last year all Joey got for Christmas was a toy truck with blistered paint and melted wheels.

His parents had bought plenty of presents and lots of fancy decorations for their Christmas tree, and that is where the trouble began.

Joey's parents, who were caught up in the Christmas spirit almost as much as Joey, wanted the best decorated house around, so they overloaded an electrical outlet behind their Christmas tree.

The tree had been sprayed with a fire retardant, so they didn't think too much about it when they forgot to water the tree.

Fire inspector Robert D. Streeter, of the Presidio Fire Department warns, "Although a

tree may be sprayed with a fire retardant material, it can still catch fire."

Joey's parents had one more set of Christmas tree lights that they thought would look just right on the tree, but the wires were cut. Instead of throwing the lights out and buying a new set that is UL listed, Joey's father thought he would just splice the wires together this year, and buy a new set next year.

Streeter also warns, "Never use lights, extension cords, or any electrical cords that have been cut or the wires are beared."

Joey's parents threw a party for all of their friends, many who smoked. After the party, they were tired so they didn't check behind the cushions and in the chairs for lit cigarettes.

A cigarette dropped into a couch can smolder for hours before it finally catches fire.

Cigarettes account for 66 percent of all residential fire deaths, according to Streeter.

Luckily Joey's parents had planned an escape route in case of a fire, and were able to make it out safely. But they lost everything they owned, and spoiled their Christmas holiday.

This fire could have been started from the overloaded plug, forgetting to water the tree, the faulty wiring in the set of lights or a cigarette dropped carelessly into the couch cushions.

Regardless of how it started, the fire could have been prevented by using a little common sense and observing a few safety rules, not only during the holiday period, but all year long.

MAC will fly you around the world

"Hey MAC, fly me to Bermuda."

"Or Germany, Italy, Greece, England, Spain, Iceland, Hawaii, the Philippines, Samoa, Japan, Australia, New Zealand."

"So who's MAC?"

MAC is the Air Force's Military Airlift Command and he's willing to take active duty or retired military on overseas vacations if he has space available.

But these space available seats are awarded by priority. Military dependents, DoD civilians and other personnel traveling on authorized leave for family emergencies are Category One. They get first consideration for space available seats.

Active duty military and dependents on leave, and military patients on convalescent leave come under Category Two. This type of travel, however, is only authorized for dependents of military members in grades E-4 with more than two years service, or in a higher grade.

The register determines who gets space available seats on a "first come, first served" basis. Be prepared to present a military ID card and leave authorization. If you don't have them, you won't fly. Wear your Class A uniform unless the leave paper gives you permission to travel in civilian clothes.

When signing the register, look for the "Scheduled Flights" board. This tells departure times for all flights. Make a note of the departures you are interested in, find the softest chair you can, and settle in for the wait.

MAC officials will call the names of Space A travelers about ninety minutes before each flight. If your name is called and you aren't there, you will be dropped from the register. You may register again, but your name will go on the bottom of the list.

Travelers aren't required to wait in the terminal, but sometimes being close pays off. Every now and then an unscheduled flight will come in and, if space is available, MAC will ask if anyone wants to take it. Missing an unscheduled flight will not cause you to be dropped from the register of scheduled flights, but it would be missing a good chance.

Sooner or later patient travelers make it to the top of the register. Have a great trip... but don't forget to allow enough time to return... you gotta do the same things to get home!



Walking on water

A member of the 170th MP Co. appears to be walking on water. The soldier was participating in water survival training. (Photo by Noli Manus)

Soldiers learn to survive water

by Tim Dewar

Millions of American soldiers have died during wartime, but thousands of these have perished not from an enemy's bullet, but because they didn't know how to survive in the water.

To help correct this, three instructors at the post swimming pool are conducting classes on how to survive in the water.

Noli Manus, Ray Mey and Allen Pozy explained the basics of water survival, to include the survival float, dynamics of back-floating and how to inflate clothing for use as life preservers to 36 members of the 170th MP Co. last week.

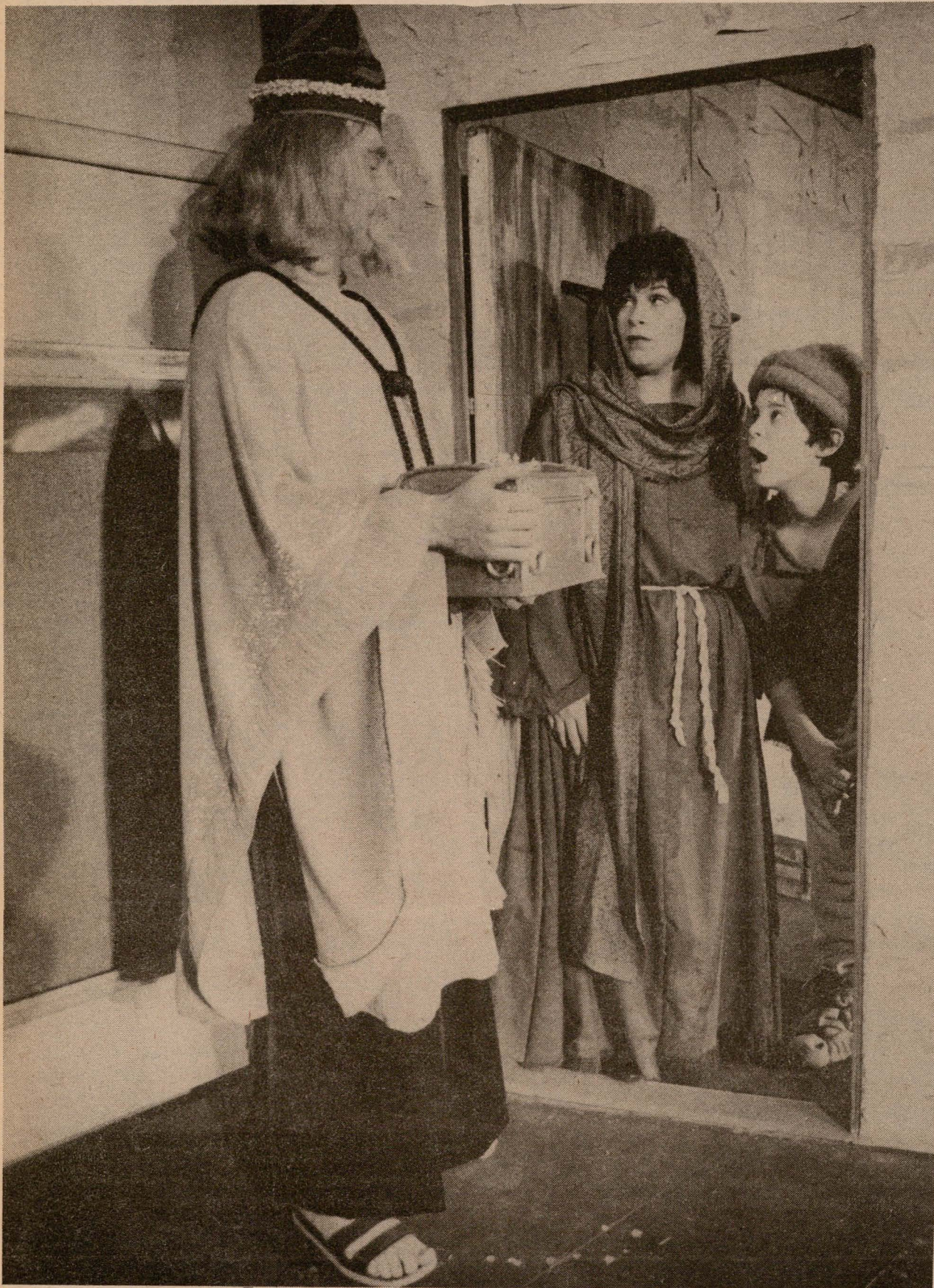
The MPs were then tested on the skills they were taught, by swimming a full length of the swimming pool and back, wearing fatigues and approximately 16 pounds of equipment, including a M16 rifle.

The course is part of a yearly mandatory training course for the MPs. Additional classes will be given to the rest of the MPs today, Monday, Wednesday and Dec. 19.

Those who have trouble are placed in a swimming class at the post pool until they can learn to swim and master the skills it takes to survive in the water.

Time to spare

Christmas plays coming to Playhouse



A royal visitor

One of the Three Kings (Kurt Berentsen) on his way to see the baby Jesus stops at the home of Amahl (Alex Clemens) and his mother (Cynthia Pannell). The play "Amahl and the Night Visitors" will be presented Tuesday (Dec. 9) at the Presidio

Playhouse beginning at 11:45 p.m. A second performance is scheduled for Wenesday at 7:30 p.m.

Free tickets are currently being distributed at the Playhouse box office from 1-5 p.m.

Presidio movies

Presidio Theater		
Dec. 4	The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu	7 p.m.
Dec. 5	The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu	7 p.m.
Dec. 6	An Arabian Adventure	2 p.m.
Dec. 7	(Special Edition) Close Encounters (Special Edition)	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Close Encounters	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	The Children	7 p.m.
Dec. 10	Animal House	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater		
Dec. 4	The Rose	7 p.m.

Dec. 5	School Days	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Moonraker	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	Hopscotch	7 p.m.
Dec. 10	Dynamo	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

In his last movie, *The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu*, Peter Sellers again plays multiple roles. First he is the evil Dr. Fu Manchu, who at 168 has been kept young by an elixir made from diamonds. Later he is seen as a detective in pursuit of Fu Manchu. Some profanity and mild violence may be offensive. This film shows tonight and tomorrow at the Presidio Theater.

A view of **A Victorian Christmas** is being offered beginning today from 1 to 4 p.m. as the 94-year-old McConaghy House opens its doors for tours. The 12-room house is decorated as it would have been for Christmas in 1886. Tours will be offered Thursdays through Sundays until December 30. For more information call 581-0223.

A **Christmas gala dinner** will be hosted by the California Historical Society tomorrow at 5 p.m. at 2090 Jackson Street. In addition to an old fashioned dinner, the event promises carolers and entertainment. Call 567-1848 for more information.

A **crafts fair** happens from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. tomorrow at the YWCA on Sutter Street. The fair features jewelry, ceramics and needlework. Admission is free.

A **Christmas Faire** at Stanford University starts tomorrow at 10 a.m. The faire includes mimes, musicians, jesters, jugglers, crafts and food. Admission is free.

The **Dickens Christmas Fair** continues this weekend at Fort Mason between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. The Fair recreates Christmas in the time of Charles Dickens, and features entertainers in period costumes, crafts and food. For more information call 981-8497.

The San Francisco Symphony hosts a **yuletide party** Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Civic Center. Conductor Clair Giovannetti will lead a sing-a-long and Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute gifts to children. For more information call 552-8000, extension 440.

A **gorilla Christmas party** will be held at the San Francisco Zoo at 10 a.m., Saturday. Admission is free.

The **Fiesta de Navidad de San Francisco**— a Spanish style Christmas party—will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Fort Point. The fiesta features Latin music, dancing and pinatas. Admission is free.

A **popeye party** will be held Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Clement Street between Fourth and Seventh Avenues. The party is in celebration of the release of the movie "Popeye." The party includes face painting, puppet shows, magic and look-alike contests.

A **Christmas bazaar** featuring crafts, costumes, live music and food will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Noe Valley Ministry on Sanchez Street.

A **wine festival** will be held at the Mirassou Vineyards in San Jose Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. The festival features wine tastings, live music, mimes and carolers. Call 274-4000 for more information.

The **Ninth Annual Pottery Show** will be hosted by the Berkeley Pottery Guild beginning Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 731 Jones Street. Call 526-9869 for more information.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors," comes to the Presidio Playhouse for a lunchtime presentation, Tuesday, at 11:45 a.m., and on Wednesday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. Free tickets for these two performances are being distributed at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., and 30 minutes before performances, if still available.

For the Tuesday performance, audiences are urged to bring a "brown bag" lunch and enjoy Menotti's famous hour-long Christmas opera during their lunch hour. Seating will be on a first-come-first-seated basis for those holding tickets, with doors opening 20 minutes before the performances.

"Winterglow," an original musical production celebrating this special holiday time of year, is also being presented at the Playhouse through December 23. It plays on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., with matinees on Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m., and two final performances on Tuesday, December 23, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m. For further information call 561-3992.

Sports

EOD blasts USAG for post crown

by Karl Gaffney

The long and arduous flag football season ended last week on a climatic note as the 548th/87th EOD edged out last year's champions USAG 22-21.

The EOD behind quarterback Scott Carr used its diversified offense and defense to remain the only undefeated team in both the regular season and the playoffs.

The score bandied back and forth throughout the game with USAG relying heavily on the long bomb scoring on passes from Glen Turner to Michael Coatney from 46, 51 and 43 yards. The EOD relied on its short and medium passing game with tosses to Robert Clipper, Glen Daly and Dusty Darby.

As in all close games, there are a few crucial plays that make the difference between losing the winning and the EOD came up with three.

The first play came on a great defensive effort by Bill Bailey who caught Turner in the end zone for a safety to cut the USAG seven point lead to five.

The second break came when the team scored the go ahead touchdown on a EOD pass from Carr to Dalton. The winners put the game away for good, however, on the third crucial play with 51 seconds remaining as Carr intercepted a Turner pass.

According to post recreation officials, all teams in the league are to be congratulated for their teamwork and sportsmanship during the season.



Aerial performer

Glen Turner unleashes a pass during recent flag football action. The USAG quarterback lead his

team to the runner-up position in the flag football tourney. (Photo by Karl Gaffney)

Jimmy's Picks of the Week

Last week Jimmy was 9 and 5, but over all this year he is still above the 60 percent mark.

Hoping to improve his mark, here's Jimmy pick for this week.

New Orleans 27 vs. San Francisco 21

This the the Upset of the Week. The Saints, even as pitiful as they are, will win at least one game this season. This is it.

Pittsburgh 19 vs. Houston 17

Blue Cross sighs with relief as Pittsburgh's list of injured players shrinks. No relief for the Oilers in this very physical match.

Dallas 31 vs. Oakland 16

Oakland's team has been the ugliest winner since Attila the Hun came west. The Cowboys are just too good.

Philadelphia 27 vs. Atlanta 20

The Eagles dozed during the entire first half against San Diego and still nearly won. The Falcons didn't look very impressive against Washington.

Baltimore 31 vs. Cincinnati 20

This prediction is based on the availability of Bert Jones. With him, the Colts can beat about anyone, without him—oh well.

Buffalo 20 vs. Los Angeles 17

The Bills will really be "up" to bat their coaches old team. Besides, the Rams are not used to playing in such frigid weather.

Minnesota 24 vs. Tampa Bay 20

The Vikings are playing just a little better at this stage of the season. A "Buc" is just not worth what it used to be.

Cleveland 34 vs. New York Jets

No contest. New York will have another "Brown-out."

Detroit 26 vs. St. Louis 17

The Lions will growl after what happened last week when they got the bird on Thanksgiving Day.

Chicago 23 vs. Green Bay 13

This game answers the question of the week—"Who cares?"

Kansas City 20 vs. Denver 13

After seeing the Broncos this week against Oakland, you have to wonder if the could pass the hat, let alone a football.

San Diego 35 vs. Washington 16

The Redskins offense is more conservative than some cabinet hopefuls.

Seattle 27 vs. New York Giants 21

The "Death Valley" bowl. The smell you detect is from the decomposing bodies of both teams.

New England 31 vs. Miami 24

I look for the very real possibility of a Miami upset. The only predicatable thing about the Patriots is that they're unpredictable.

Sportswriters needed

Flag football and the pro-season are almost over. Soon other sports will begin.

Due to the small size of the Star Presidian staff, we must rely on others to provide us with articles on all Presidio teams.

Currently the post teams and major intramural teams results are supplied to us by the Sports Branch of the Morale Support Division. But they can't cover every game either.

Youth teams receive very little coverage. And this is where we need your help.

If you are a member of a sports team that isn't getting any or enough coverage in the newspaper and you have some writing or photographic talent, give us a call.

Photos must be black and white. If you bring us a roll, we'll send it to the lab and have it developed. If we are able to use any of your photos, we'll replace the roll of film.

Stories should be submitted typed—doubled spaced. Length should be one page. By lines will be given for all articles printed.

Deadlinel for submission of film is noon on Monday. Stories should arrive by close of business on Monday.

For more information contact SSgt. Tom Tierman at 561-3908.

Bullets lead league

After two weeks of Dependent Youth Activity basketball, the Bullets remain the number one team with an undefeated record of 7-0.

The Bullets who feature a run and gun team are lead by Tony Jett and Victor McDonald who continue to dominate the league.

The rest of the league is beginning to gell, finding that team work and hustle are just as important as individual talent.

The league standings are as follows:

Bullets 7-0	Lakers 2-5
Knicks 4-3	76ers 1-6

Presidio News Notes

Shoemaker says 'thanks'

The Presidio of San Francisco recently received a "pat on the back," from Gen. R.M. Shoemaker, FORSCOM commander.

In a letter sent to all FORSCOM installations Shoemaker expressed his appreciation to all those who contributed to the 1980 Army Emergency Relief Fund Drive.

Shoemaker said, "Each of you contributed significantly to the collection of \$460,276 for AER. The results achieved by the campaign reinforce the total Army effort and definitely assist the AER in its mission of helping the Army take care of its own. Again, my thanks for your support and the support received from each member of your command."

Luncheon planned

The Letterman's Women's Club will hold their monthly luncheon Dec. 11 at the Presidio Officers' Club. Theme for the gathering will be "A celebration of Christmas."

There will be a social being at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon. Entertainment will include the Kinderchoir from the Zion Lutheran School and the New O. W. C. Singers.

Reservations must be made by Dec. 9 by calling 561-4039 in San Francisco or 897-0851 in Marin.

Bake Sale set

The Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten will be holding a Christmas Handicraft and Bake Sale on Dec. 6 at the Post Exchange Mall beginning at 10 a.m.

All handicraft and bake sale items will be made by the parents and children of the Presidio Preschool-Kindergarten.

Funds raised at the sale will aid in purchasing additional equipment needed by the school.

Handicraft donations may be brought to the school on Dec. 3, 4 and 5. Bake Sale items may be brought to the school on Dec. 5 or Dec. 6 before 10 a.m.

College course set

Columbia College will offer a class in **General Psychology at Hamilton Air Force Base** during the Jan. 5 to Feb. 28 winter session.

Columbia is a four-year institution offering



A honey of a photo

Elliot Dominguez is the winner of the Photo of the Week Award for this pic of a bee on a flower. The winner of the Photo of the Quarter will be announced in next week's Star Presidian. All photos

submitted will be held for competition after the Christmas holidays. If you would like to enter the contest, bring your photo to our newroom in building 37.

degrees in Business Administration, Psychology, and Criminal Justice. Two-year Associate of Arts degrees may also be earned.

For more information call Lary Blades at 397-5613.

Man sought

The Star Presidian is looking for the gentleman who voluntarily takes care of the pet cemetery, so that we might recognize his contributions to the community.

Anyone knowing the gentleman's name is asked to call our newsroom at 561-3908 or 2005.

Last 1980 issue

The last issue of the Star Presidian for 1980 will be printed Dec. 18.

Since that issue will be devoted to Christmas, all units, agencies or private organizations with events or other news items which will occur before Jan. 8, 1981 must have these items submitted by close of business on Monday (Dec. 8).

Items should be typed and double spaced. They should contain all pertinent information and a point of contact with phone number.

Questions should be directed to SSgt. Tom Tiernan at 561-3908.

Post soldiers help get mail to overseas units

Presidio soldiers are giving military folks in the Pacific a special Christmas present for which they will receive no thanks from the recipients. The soldiers in conjunction with the Joint Military Postal Activity—Pacific and the Naval Readiness Command—Second Region are building pallets of Christmas mail for delivery to authorized users of the Military Postal Service in the Pacific. (Photo by James McDonald)



Presidians get two extra holidays

Presidians have received two early Christmas presents.

Last Friday, President Carter signed an executive order making **Dec. 26 a holiday** for all federal employees. In doing so he was following a tradition, dating to 1952, of granting a four day holiday when Christmas falls on a Thursday.

The new holiday will see the post commissary

and all Letterman Army Medical Center Clinics, except the emergency room, closed. The change will not affect the PX.

There will be mail delivery that day, however, according to an announcement by the United States Postal Service.

On Monday, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post

commander, and Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, commander of Sixth Army declared a training holiday for their soldiers on Jan. 2, and encouraged civilian employees to take leave that day.

At press time it was not known whether LAMC soldiers will also be given a training holiday.

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Camp Park's upgrading ok'd

Camp Parks will be redesignated as the Armed Forces Reserve Training Area, Camp Parks, in ceremonies scheduled for this afternoon.

According to Maj. Michael Christy, Presidio public affairs officer, the ceremony was scheduled after the Army received verbal approval to redesignate the camp.

"The ceremony will mark a major step forward in the development of Camp Parks," continued Christy. "The facility and its improvements will greatly enhance the readiness of the Reserve components."

The upgrading of the facilities at the Pleasan-

ton installation will result in substantial savings in time, money and fuel.

Currently, more than 11,000 reserve component soldiers live within a 50 mile radius of Camp Parks. "Reservists will no longer have to travel to distant places such as Fort Ord for training," Christy added. "With reduced travel time comes increased training time."

The redesignation and upgrading of Camp Park's facilities have been under study for several months. At the present time, only 100-200 soliders use the installation for training.

Christy says that eventually, 500-600 reserve component personnel could be using Camp Parks on any given weekend.

Since it was built in 1942, Camp Parks has served as an installation for the Navy, Air Force, and Army.

Currently, the installation also is the location for the Immigration and Naturalization Services' Border Patrol, the Federal Corrections Institution, the Energy Research and Development Agency, and a portion of the NASA's Ames Research Center.



And the trees came tumbling down

Mrs. Donna Zabicki, wife of Maj. William Zabicki, surveys the huge tree branch which fell last week barely missing her home. The branch was one of several that fell during the first winter storm of 1980. Another branch was blown down and then smashed into a storage shed at 1304 Washington Blvd., just missing two persons. The storm featured plenty of rain and 60 mile-an-hour wind

gusts. Besides the blown trees, the rain left many roads in dangerous conditions as pine needles covered many backroads. Despite the storm, rainfall for this time of the year is at least two-inches

below normal, raising talk that another drought maybe ahead for the state. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Holiday events to put post in Christmas spirit

The Presidio will get into Christmas spirit next week with a full schedule of events.

On Tuesday, the post **Christmas tree** will be officially lit by Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander.

The ceremony, which begins at **3:45 p.m.** on the the grassy area next to the fire station and will feature music by the Sixth Army Band, carols by the post chapel choir and a special visit from Santa Claus.

Later Tuesday evening, the post chaplains will host an evening of **Christmas carolers** through the post housing area beginning at **7 p.m.**

Carolers will be transported on special cable car buses as they provide the post with this special holiday treat. Refreshments will be served at the Religious Activities Center following the caroling.

Interested persons are asked to call 561-3535 before Friday to make a reservation to join in the caroling.

On Wednesday, the **Bay Area Commander's Annual Christmas Concert** will be held at the Palace of Fine Arts beginning at **7 p.m.**

Featured will be music by the Sixth Army Band and a visit by Santa Claus.

All Presidians are invited to attend this event.

Stop signs moved

Some Presidio traffic signs are about to disappear.

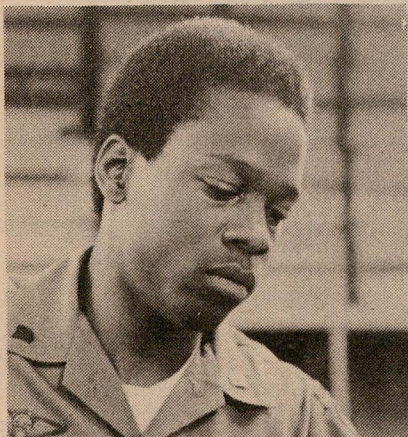
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Opinion

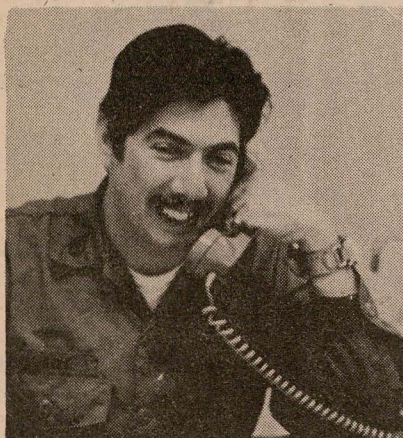
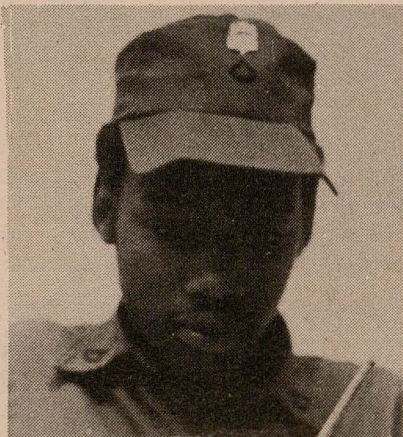
Ramblin' Sam

What was your biggest achievement in 1980



Sp4 Al Williams, parachute shop—"I overcame my fear of heights, it's important to me because it doesn't bother me as much to jump when I test the equipment."

PFC Tom Cherry, transportation—"When I was overseas, I had a really bad attitude towards other people. I am really glad I have been able to overcome that."



SSgt. Robert Valle, USAG—"Trying to do this job right. This job is a real hell raiser, and sometimes I don't know how I cope."

Lt. Col. Earl Hain, Sixth Army—"My wife and I were able to accomplish a lifetime dream, we got to see the Great Pyramids, the Sphinx, Valley of the Kings, Luxor and Abu Simbel in Egypt."



Devon Merritt, Visual Information Specialist—"I guess the most important thing I accomplished is learning what to say, when to say it, and who to say it around. I really learned self-discipline."

Your editorial was infantile, ignorant

Dear Editor,

Your editorial entitled "Ready for War" was infantile, irresponsible, and indicated a total ignorance of our nations traditions and meaning.

The idea of our democracy being constantly prepared to go to war is totally repugnant to the American character and ideal. The concept of the United States being the policemen of the world, maintaining troops in foreign countries as it does now, ever ready to jump into Vietnam, Korea, Afghanistan, Iran and infinitum... is ruinous and an insult to our values.

In the past, the majority of Americans viewed our wars as dirty necessities to the concluded as quickly as possible. The best soldier we ever fielded was the "guy in the street" who got the job done and got out.

It would have been far better "Mr." Tiernan to exhort your peers to do their best at whatever job they have and then let the wars take care of themselves. George Washington gave us our best example, could it ever be other wise?

Cincinnatus

Are we both infantile, irresponsible?

Dears Cincinnatis:

On the surface, it would appear that you and I have a philosophical difference when one reads my editorial and your opinion of it. But we actually are sharing in the same viewpoint. And I am sure this does not mean we are both infantile and irresponsible.

I agree, America should not be the policeman of the world. But it is in our self-interest to face our responsibility as a guardian of freedom in a world threatened by aggressive forces which are opposed to it.

I also agree that a policy of indiscriminate involvement in another nation's internal conflict is foolhardy. But I think you will agree with me that it is short sighted for us to not be prepared to do battle should a real, genuine threat to freedom exist.

The only real difference we have is in your thinking that I do not understand the tradition and meaning of the United States by asking for our soldiers to be prepared for war.

True, in George Washington's America it was not necessary for us to be prepared for war on a global scale but it is exceptionally naive to think the conditions of the world today can be compared to those of our founding fathers.

Much has changed. We are now a world power whether we like the role or not. And with that status comes the responsibility of being prepared for war in order to preserve freedom here and where ever else in

the world it is seriously threatened.

My editorial was an exhortation for soldiers to do their job well. The simple fact is, a soldier's job is to be prepared for war. It is our investment in a safer, more secure world.

If you look closely at the history of World Wars One and Two, you will find that the "guy in the street" was not as prepared for war as he should have been. This shortcoming costs thousands of American lives needlessly. It is a repeat of these tragedies we seek to prevent.

Today, after a decade when it was popular to sling insults at the military, Americans are beginning to recognize the value of a strong military. They are seriously questioning the military's ability to defend the country.

The need to improve the readiness and preparedness of the military was a prime force behind the 11.7 percent pay raise we all gladly pocketed.

If you had paid close attention to the issues of the Presidential campaign you would have noticed that defense was on the minds of nearly all voting Americans.

Most voters realize that without a strong and prepared military, the future of democracy is threatened. Even the slightest study of the Marxist-Leninist doctrine shows that communism is still dedicated to world domination.

When I urge soldiers to be ready for war, I am only urging them to do their jobs... to prevent war and if one starts, to be prepared to win it.

SSgt. Tom Tiernan

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Commissary abuse under watch

by Tim Dewar and Tom Tiernan

The loose wheel of the cart wobbles noisily as the couple heads toward the car.

A young man waiting in the next car steps out and hands the woman some money, which she quickly slips in her purse. He then takes several boxes of disposable diapers and cases of baby food and heads for his own car.

Perhaps, unknowing, a crime has just been committed.

While this may sound like a scene from Korea where abuse of commissary and PX privileges takes place frequently, it's actually happening right here on the Presidio.

Purchasing items for any unauthorized person is illegal and according to Capt. Jamie Bartlett of the Staff Judge Advocate's office, it is punishable under article 92 of the Uniformed Code of Military Justice. This segment deals with disobeying a lawful general order or regulation.

Active duty military personnel can receive a maximum punishment of two years hard labor and a dishonorable discharge. Retired military and dependents may have commissary privileges revoked.

The matter of persons buying items for unauthorized persons has been of concern among commissary patrons and employees for sometime.

In a recent letter to the Star Presidian, one customer said, "Elderly men and women don't normally have the need for cases of baby diapers,

baby wipes, etc. Yet, I've seen dozens of them haul baskets to their cars filled with nothing but diapers, baby wipes, and formula in them. I've also seen various shoppers with hundred pounds of rice or Chinese noodles at the checkout lines and not so much as one loaf of bread or quart of milk to go with it.

"Yesterday," she continued, "I watched a woman take out 20 gallons of milk alone. Unless she had fifty children, there is no earthly way that milk could have been consumed by her family and the plastic containers can burst if freezing is attempted."

Another customer reported seeing several unauthorized persons standing outside the commissary waiting for patrons to come out. And seeing people go through the store two and three times.

During a recent visit to the commissary, employees voiced their concerns at watching people taking out unusual amounts of bread, baby items, and milk when there was no apparent reason for them to require so much.

Commissary officer, John Rose, stated that in the past he has stopped people with what appeared to be over abundant amounts of such items. But "After being told enough times that it was none of my business, I just gave up."

According to Lt. Col. Robert G. Tracy, assistant commander of the Sixth Region CID, a crime prevention survey was conducted recently in the

commissary by the CID agents.

As a result of the survey the CID made a number of recommendations to the post commander and commissary to help reduce an atmosphere conducive to criminal activity.

One of the biggest problems areas, says Capt. Richard Engel, of the CID, is the use of disabled shoppers assistance letters.

These letters allow disabled and in some cases people who are sick to have someone help them with their shopping.

One form of the letter allows anyone to help the disabled person and the other requires the name of a specific person to the shopping.

Fearing that some shopper's helpers may be purchasing items for themselves, the CID recommends that only the letter which requires a specific person be named be used.

The CID also suggests that shoppers with assistants be monitored using the cameras already installed in the store.

That repeated offenders who misuse the commissary have their privileges revoked was the CID's final recommendation.

During the survey, 65 persons lost their ID cards for either using expired cards or for allowing multiple use of the cards, two more crimes.

CID officials say they are taking an "aggressive posture" towards commissary misuse and plan to make themselves visible from now on to protect authorized users of the store.

One ringy-ding, two ringy-ding

NCO uses the telephone to lead Recruiting Command in keeping soldiers in green

SSgt. Allen D. Forkell put the telephone and psychological savvy to work again to lift the Western Region Recruiting Command to first place in reenlistments for the U.S. Army Recruiting Command for Fiscal Year 1980, the second year in a row that WRRRC has received the award.

The far west region Army command was named top in U.S. Army Recruiting Command (USAREC) reenlistments after finishing the fiscal year with a careerist mark of 113.6 percent of its assigned mission.

Forkell helped boost Western Region to a 105.6 percent for the first half of the year, and then up

to 124 percent in the second half, to notch the title. The command also achieved 150 percent for "first termers" on its way to the FY 80 honor.

Forkell attributes his success to "keeping members of the command informed." He added that because the Western Region Command is spread over much of the western United States, Alaska, and the Pacific, the job "also involves long hours on the telephone, often as many as 70 hours a month."

"It's important to keep track of the personnel," said Forkell, "and reenlist them 65 to 90 days prior to their time of separation from the Army. A target period of 120 days before the person's ETS is an ideal time to talk about reenlistment."

A region spokesman said that early identification and contact is also imperative in the fact that it helps to keep "monthly objectives" down to a minimum. Reenlistments can occur even before we have been assessed an objective against that person's position," he said.

"Time" is also important in terms of completing necessary paperwork. With some stations as far away as Camp Zama, Japan, 10 to 12 working days per individual reenlistment isn't unusual.

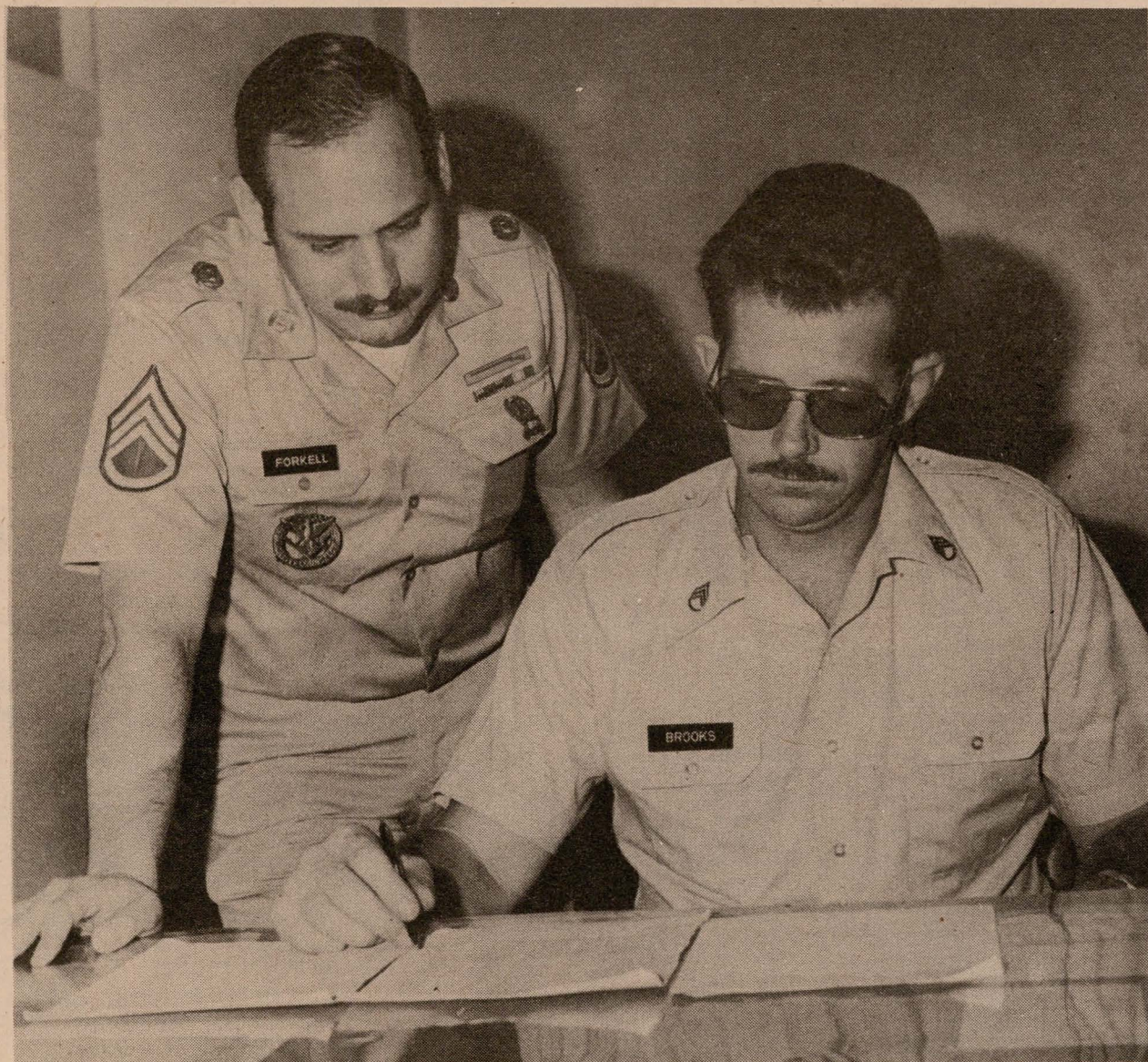
With the exception of time, flagged records are the greatest roadblock. If a soldier's records are "pulled" for one or more reasons, even temporarily, he's lost to reenlistment for that period.

"But despite that 'flagging' process, the region still has an objective drawn against that individual's position," the command spokesman said. "As a result, the best kind of cooperation is necessary between counselors and personnel management people to insure that flagged individuals are properly extended. Prompt action is also necessary once the flag is lifted to insure the person's reenlistment."

"We weren't keeping the best of records then," he said, "so it's difficult to compare the two years, month by month. But I do remember a final 78 percent of assigned mission for the year." USAREC records also show percentages of 69 percent for careerists and 75 for first termers just prior to the start of FY 80.

For the 27-year-old NCO from Colorado Springs, Colo., it's a sizzling way to begin an Army counseling career.

For Forkell, the USAREC laurel is a dream come true. Still in his first career counselor tour after graduation from Fort Benjamin Harrison, his FY 80 mark is almost a third higher than the command's FY 79 finish.



Dynamic duo

SSgt. Allen Forkell, Western Region Recruiting Command reenlistment NCO, reviews records with his predecessor, SSgt. Jack Brooks. Forkell

lead the command to its second back-to-back first place finish for reenlistments in Recruiting Command. (Photo by Don Norton)

USO, a home for the holidays

by Tim Dewar

Tired of spending the holidays in his barracks room, the young soldier decides to go downtown on Christmas Day.

Not knowing where to go he just wanders around.

Suddenly in the middle of Taylor Street, he notices a sign for an organization that he thought disappeared after World War II.

The red, white, and blue sign that caught his eye was that of United Service Organization, posted over the entrance to their Taylor Street office.

The USO didn't die after World War II, in fact it is still very much alive and will be serving dinner Christmas and New Year's Day, for any military personnel or dependents that wish to come.

According to Samantha Yruegas, Director of the Taylor Street USO, "Everybody pitches in and makes Christmas dinner and the cleanup afterwards. It's not like your a guest, your an actual participant in the dinner."

Yruegas adds, "The loneliness is not so acute when you spend the holidays with other people." And that is exactly what everyone at the USO hopes people will do.

"A couple of years ago," Yruegas said, "We had this young man come up from Fort Ord on Christmas Eve. He was mugged that night, and didn't know where to go. He saw the sign, and was waiting when I arrived Christmas morning. We washed his uniform, and we got him some money from the Red Cross. He wrote a few months later and told us it was one of the nicest Christmases he had ever spent."

No, the USO is not dead, and you can find out Christmas Day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., New



'Cue ball corner pocket'

SSgt. Ken Gray enjoys a game of pool during a recent visit to the USO on Taylor Street. The facility will be open during the holidays for

soldiers and their families who are stationed away from home.

(Photo by Tim Dewar)

Year's Eve from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and New Year's Day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The USO will also sponsor a night of cable car caroling Dec. 18; you may call the Taylor Street USO at 885-0234 for more information.

For those who wish to join everyone at the USO for Christmas dinner, easy access is provided by the number 45 bus, which will take you to Taylor and Post, a very short walk from the USO.

Tis' the season for shoplifting

by Tim Dewar

Christmas time is a time for giving and receiving gifts, but it is also a time for shuffling high prices and at the checkout counter.

To get around the long lines and high prices, some people may resort to shoplifting the presents they would like to give.

Thousands of dollars that would normally go to unit funds are lost to Presidians each year because of shoplifting at the post PX.

Not only does shoplifting decrease the amount of money sent to the unit funds, it also increases the prices at the facilities.

The Christmas season is especially tempting to shoplifters because of the large amounts of merchandise displayed during this period, and the increase in shoppers makes it difficult to watch everyone who comes into the store.

Shoppers are asked to watch while shopping, for people who are wearing clothing that might not be appropriate for the season, or baggy clothing that might conceal a stolen article. "It is incumbent of us here at the Presidio to protect our interests," said Capt. Richard Engel, Sixth Region CID.

"You don't have to be a law enforcement official to report a crime or suspected criminal activity to the facility officials or the Military Police," adds Engel.

Marshall

Former Sec. of State, Army Chief of Staff served here

by Melvin Wong

51st Military History Dept.

The last day of 1980 marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of General-of-the-Army George C. Marshall.

As the Army Chief-of-State from 1939 to 1945, Marshall performed an indispensable yet obscure role in this country's greatest conflict, the Second World War.

A native of Pennsylvania, Marshall was a distant relative of the former "Great" Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, John Marshall. Unlike most Army leaders who graduated from West Point, he attended a private academy, Virginia Military Institute, receiving a commission in the infantry in 1902.

Marshall first saw service in the Philippines. Later, he returned to the U.S. to attend the Infantry and Cavalry School, and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

In 1916, Marshall was promoted to captain after a 14-year wait, and was stationed at the Presidio as a general's aide.

World War I was to reveal Marshall's ability as a staff officer. As a temporary colonel, he accomplished a brilliant piece of administration in 1918 by overseeing the rapid movement of half-million troops and 2,700 guns from the St. Mihiel operation to the Meuse-Argonne front for the final offensive. The deployment was made at night in less than two weeks, surprising the Germans.

In the post-war years, Marshall was an aide to John J. Pershing, the Army Chief-of-Staff. When Pershing retired, Marshall's career was stalemated and he found himself in the Army's "Siberia" attached to the 15th Infantry Regiment in Tientsin, China.

The years between the two world wars were a stagnating period for advancement in a peacetime army of less than 200,000. For example, George S. Patton was a major for 15 years, Dwight Eisenhower and Omar Bradley were majors even longer, 16 years.

Eventually, Marshall returned to the U.S. serving at several Army posts and finally became a brigadier general in 1936.

On Sept. 1, 1939, Germany invaded Poland, and World War II began. That same day, Marshall was appointed Chief-of-Staff. Aware that war was inevitable, Marshall began an enormous expansion of the Army. Furthermore, it was reorganized into three components: ground forces, air forces, and service forces.

Marshall served as military advisor to President Roosevelt and as senior member of the Combined Allied Chiefs-of-Staff. In the latter capacity he was the main architect of the Allied strategy for waging a two-front war, emphasizing the defeat of Germany first, and brilliantly managing both military and political aspects of a global war effort.

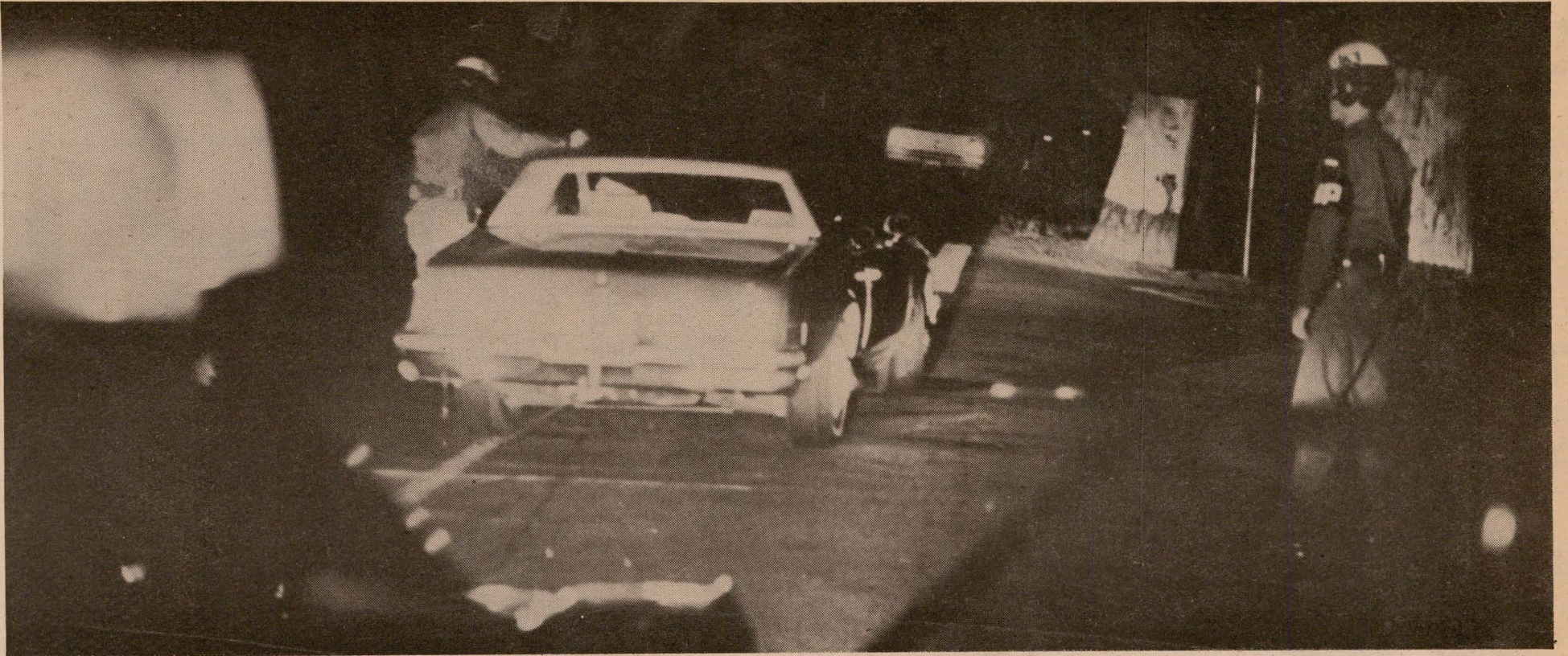
In 1944 Marshall was promoted to five-star General-of-the-Army. Ironically, Marshall denied himself the opportunity that every military leader yearns for, a top field command. He had been considered for the leadership of the allied armies destined to invade Nazi-dominated Europe. However, he was deemed too important to spare and was kept in Washington. The coveted command went to Eisenhower.

Retiring at the war's end, Marshall was dispatched to China as ambassador on a peace mission. China was on the verge of a civil war between the Nationalists and Communists. Neither side desired anything less than complete victory.

Marshall abandoned the hopeless mission and returned to the U.S. China was then engulfed in total civil war which the Communists were to win by 1949. Despite the failure in China, he was appointed Secretary of State in 1947. He proposed an economic program for war-devastated Europe which the U.S. contributed \$112 billion towards European recovery. This massive aid program became known as the Marshall Plan.

Poor health forced Marshall to resign and he served less strenuously as president of the American Red Cross. The Korean War was Marshall's last call to service as he was appointed Secretary of Defense.

Marshall retired permanently in 1951. Later, he was awarded the international Nobel Peace Prize for his European recovery efforts Marshall Plan, the only military person to be so honored.



Every stop could be the last

Two military policemen stop a car for a traffic violation. Working on an open post such as the

Presidio offers the MPs many challenges. The soldiers assigned to the MPs work around the

clock to protect Presidians against crime, as well as controlling traffic.

It's a long hard night for post MPs

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

The streets are quiet, the radio silent and the man behind the wheel turns past a building he has passed countless times.

"Sometimes it's dead and there's nothing going on and other times everything seems to happen all at once," the driver tells his passenger.

The driver is Sp4 Quinten Warren, a military policeman on traffic duty with the Presidio Provost Marshal's Office. His day started at 7 a.m. It is now 6 p.m. and Warren has only 13 more hours to go.

He pulls up at the cemetery, parks and waits. As a car comes barreling down Lincoln Boulevard, Warren whips his radar gun up and fixes the man's speed.

"A lot of people use 'fuzzbuster' units around here," Warren explains, "so it all boils down to how fast I can throw my radar beam out there before they pick it up and slow down."

He goes back to his game of radar "quick draw" and several minutes pass with no action. Suddenly the gun fixes a driver's speed well above the allowed 25 miles per hour and Warren swings into action.

"It's really tough to get some people," he explains. "If you don't get out there right behind them, it is very easy for them to disappear."

This motorist isn't so lucky. Warren hangs with him until he pulls the car over. A ticket follows.

And so it goes on, hour after hour. Occasionally, Warren will turn to his passenger and reminisce about this or that call.

"I had only been on traffic duty for two days," Warren recalls, "It was about 11:30 and my shift was just about over when all of a sudden I got a call of a burglary in progress."

Warren continues and recalls the tense moments after he arrived on the scene. He remembers wondering if the man was still inside, if he had a gun, what was going to happen. And he remembers the relief when they discovered that it was a false alarm.

"It is really quiet here," Warren says. "When I was stationed in Alaska, we used to get a lot more troop-related calls like bar fights. In a high crime area like San Francisco, you would expect more to happen, but it stays pretty quiet here."

Still the routine traffic stop can always turn up the unexpected. A recent pair of routine stops into major arrests. A run stop sign by Letterman ended as a chase and drug arrest, while a speeding ticket ended with arrests of a pair of men for a variety of charges including driving a stolen car.

"This being an open post," Warren says, "you really have to be careful when you stop someone. You never know what is going to happen."

So Warren pulls his car back into position at the cemetery and returns to his game of radar "quick draw." He waits for something to happen and hopes that it is just routine.



By the night's dim light

Sp4 Quinten Warren writes a ticket by the glow of a small lights installed in his patrol vehicle. War-

ren is one of many MPs who rotates on traffic duty to reduce the chances of serious accidents

Time to spare

New Year's Eve options are numerous

As Christmas comes to the Bay Area the thoughts of merry-making start running through everyone's mind.

A Christmas party for all enlisted dependents, active duty and retirees, will be held at the NCO/Enlisted Club tomorrow from 1 to 4 p.m. Santa will drop by to say hello.

The Dicken's Christmas Faire continues this week at Fort Mason Pier 3. Parking is available at Crissy Field with shuttle bus service provided for a small fee. Admission to the faire is \$7.25 for adults, \$4.50 for senior citizens and \$3.75 for children.

The ballet, "The Night Before Christmas" will be performed at the Palace of Fine Arts, tomorrow at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. An additional performance is scheduled for Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Oakland Ballet will present the Nutcracker Suite, Dec. 19-28.

Performances on Dec. 20, 21, 24, 27 and 28 will be at 2 p.m. On Dec. 19, 20, 23, 26, and 27 the ballet will be performed at 8 p.m.

Tickets range in price from \$3 to \$10. For more information call 465-6400.

A celebrity all-star fashion show will be held Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Palace of Fine Arts.

The show will feature the designs of six California designers.

Appearing in the show will be Gary and Gloria Poole, Dick Clark's American Bandstand Dance Champions, local television personality Dwight Casimere, the Mystic Knights, and the Diamond Coura Senegalese Dance Company.

Tickets for senior citizens and military personnel are \$12.50 plus a canned good or toy. The price includes a party afterward to meet the stars.

A motorized cable car tour of the Christmas lights in San Francisco is scheduled for Dec. 18 from the Presidio Rec Center starting at 6:30 p.m. Cost of the trip is \$5 and sign ups must be in by tomorrow.

Wondering what to do for New Year's Eve? Well here's a few suggestions.

The Cow Palace will host the Marshall Tucker Band and Gamma featuring Ronnie Montrose and other special guests. Cost is \$15 in advance.

At the Warfield Theatre the New Year will be welcomed by the Jim Carroll Band and the Contractions. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$9.50 for reserved seats.

It will be the Grateful Dead at the Oakland Auditorium Arena starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are limited to four per person.

Pablo Cruise will sail into the New Year at the Old Waldorf at 7:30 and 11 p.m. Tickets for the 7:30 show are \$15 in advance.

Tickets for Cruise's 11 p.m. show are \$30 in advance. The price includes Champagne, hor d'oeuvres and party favors at midnight.

At the Presidio Officers' Club the New Year's Eve Party will feature a New York Steak dinner, continental breakfast, a split of champagne, party favors and dancing for \$25 per person. Tickets can be purchased at the club.

The Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club will open at 9 p.m. with the New Genesis Disco Top 40 group followed by Doc Webb and his Disco Machine. Cost of the evening is \$8 per person and \$15 per couple. The cost includes a split of champagne, breakfast and party favors. Reservations are currently being accepted.

The Outdoor Recreation Center is sponsoring a cross country ski weekend at Lake Tahoe Jan. 30 through Feb. 1.

Cost of the trip is \$70 which includes transportation lodging, ski equipment rental, instructions, meals and trail entrance and usage fees. Deadline for sign up is Jan. 19.



Dolls come to life

The Teddy Bear and Raggedy Ann dance together during the performance of "The Night Before Christmas." The ballet is just one of the many

holiday activities going on in the Bay Area. The ballet can be seen at the Palace of Fine Arts tomorrow and Saturday.

Presidio movies

Presidio Theatre

Dec. 11	My Bodyguard (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	My Bodyguard (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 13	The Return of the Pink Panther	2 p.m.
Dec. 13	The Nude Bomb (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	Middle Age Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	Middle Age Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 16	Angel's Brigade (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 17	Jaws II (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	Somewhere in Time (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	Somewhere in Time (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	Godzilla on Monster Island (G)	2 p.m.

Dec. 20	Grease (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 21	The first Deadly Sin	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theatre

Dec. 11	Little Darlings (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	Double McGuffin (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 16	Close Encounters of the Third Kind - Special Edition (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 17	The Children (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	National Lampoon's Animal House (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	My Bodyguard (PG)	7 p.m.

Sports

Women win, men lose at Castle

Both the women and men's post basketball teams traveled to Castle Air Force Base last weekend, with the women winning, 64-59, 39-36, but the men lost both of their games, 69-68 and 75-59.

In Friday night's action, the women fought-off a 15 point deficit late in the game, behind the "hot hands" of **Maryline Johnson's** 21 points and **Phyllis Singleton's** 15 points.

Johnson iced the game with a pair of clutch free throws with four seconds remaining, to win

64-59.

In Friday's men's action, the Presidio watched a first-half lead of 40-35 evaporate early in the second-half behind Castle's "hot" perimeter shooting. After tying the game, both teams threw everything in their offense but the "kitchen sink," which resulted in a "shoot out."

The game wasn't decided until with four seconds remaining, Castle came from behind and sank an outside jump-shot, which nullified a **John Dillard** clutch shot, giving the airmen a 69-68 win.

In Saturday's action, the women edged-out Castle in a defensive game, 34-32. High scorers for the Presidio were **Johnson** 18 points and **Singleton** with 16.

In Saturday's men's action, both teams come-out playing very physical, but the Presidio found itself playing catch up basketball early because of an unstoppable Castle fast break.

The Presidio fell behind by as much as 15 points late in the second-half, and was not able to mount a comeback, losing 75-59. High scorer for the Presidio was **James Allen** 21 points.

DYA Bullets undefeated

The 1980 DYA basketball regular season concluded last week with the Bullets, 9-0, capturing first place hands down; with the Lakers and Knicks sharing second place with identical 4-4 records with the hapless '76'ers occupying last place with a 1-8 record.

The game-of-the-week featured the Lakers giving the Bullets a run for their money, in one of the toughest defensive matches of the year. In the first-half, the Lakers bottled up the Bullets dynamic "duo"—**Victor McDonald** and **Tony Jett**, holding them to a mere 2 points apiece, while scoring six points themselves, behind **Keith Brazille**, **Raven Brown**, and **Anthony Jett**, each scoring 2 points.

The second half was basically a replica of the first half with only one exception, the Bullets outscored the Lakers 10-4, with four clutch points coming from **Jamie Wood**.

The grand finish for the 1980 DYA basketball program will be a double-elimination tournament, with the finals scheduled for Friday, in the main post gym at 4:30 p.m.

Presidio runners do well in Oakland

The recent Oakland marathon saw a large turnout by Presidio runners. The course was flat and quick, and the weather was cooperative.

The big surprise was **Linda Wettstein** of LAMC, who ran to a personal best by twenty-five minutes, 3:18:45. This time qualified her for the Boston Marathon (3:20 or better).

On the men's side, **Reggie Humdy** of LAMC ran a quick time of 2:41 to also set a personal high and he too, qualified for the Boston famous race.

In the half marathon, **Jan Sershen** (DFAE) finished in 4th place in 1:08:50. The finishers in the marathon are as follows:

Bob Darling (Sports Branch) 2:31
 Reggie Humdy (LAMC) 2:41
 Rick Ritter (LAMC) 3:06
 Linda Wettstein (LAMC) 3:18
 Don Tompkins (LAIR) 3:18
 Ralph Cruishank (Sixth Army) 3:18
 Bill Zabecki (LAMC) 3:42
 Jim Moore (LAIR) 3:53
 Mark Bentle (LAMC) 3:56
 Barbara Barnett (LAMC) 4:02

Holiday games planned

Individuals or teams desiring to participate in Christmas basketball, squash, handball, and volleyball must register by Dec. 18 at the main post gym. Competition will commence at 1 p.m. each day of the holiday season.



High roller

SFC Dennis Werne of Inscom shows his winning form at the Presidio Bowling Alley.

Werne recently rolled a 708 series there with games of 216, 238 and 254. It was the

first 700 series at the alley since the synthetic lanes were put in. For Werne, a veteran of 15 years' bowling experience, it was his ninth 700 series. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Presidio News Notes

Briefing team here

The FORSCOM Briefing team will be presenting its audio-visual production, "Army Issues of the Eighties" at the Presidio Theater tomorrow at 11:15 a.m.

The showing is open to anyone who is interested, and supervisors are encouraged by the post commander to release as many military and civilian personnel as possible to attend this showing.

Christmas party planned

A fun DYA Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Presidio Theater, Dec. 20 at 10 a.m.

Presidio youngsters ages four through 12 are invited.

The program will include an hour of cartoons, a professional puppet show, presents and snacks for everyone; and, a visit from Santa.

There is no charge for this program.

Pan Am offers discount

Pan American Airlines has become the 11th carrier to give a 50 percent fare reduction to active duty military traveling on leave or pass.

The discount is available on all Pan Am, TWA, and USAIR domestic routes. The other eight airlines offer the fare reduction on selected routes only.

With the exception of USAIR, the discount will expire on Mar. 31, 1981.

The reduction is not available on Dec. 19, 20, and 24, 1980 or Jan. 3, 4, or 5, 1981.

Early commissary closing

The Post Commissary will close at 4 p.m., Dec. 17, so the employees may attend their Christmas Party.

Sign up for soccer

There is still time to sign up and play DYA soccer. We have a few openings remaining for those under 14 years old and under 10 years old. Contact Maj. Woolford at 561-2993 for more information.

LAMC accredited

Letterman Army Medical Center received a two-year renewal of its accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH) last week.

The renewal of accreditation is based on a survey of the hospital, performed last August by three JCAH representatives. It means that LAMC meets or exceeds all the generally accepted standards of quality health care.

The Joint Commission's members include the American College of Physicians, the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, the American Hospital Association and the American Dental Association. JCAH is the primary accrediting body for all military and



Why Mister Bee, what big eyes you have

Elliott Dominguez, who took last week's Photo of the Week honors, is the winner of the Photo of the

Quarter. If you have a photo you think is deserving of the award, bring it by our newsroom

civilian hospitals in the United States.

A two-year accreditation is considered a strong endorsement of the quality of care provided. JCAH gives one-year accreditations when there is more room for improvement.

Swimmers raise funds

The Presidio Aquarius Swim Team recently swam over 62 miles to help others.

The group's "Swim for Funds" raised over \$735 for the Combined Federal Campaign.

Lead by swimmer Paul Haas, who completed 200 lengths to raise \$250, the group swam a total of 3,280 lengths of the post pool.

This was the second year the group has taken to the water to help CFC.

Mixer planned

The Presidio Officers' Wives' Club will sponsor a Christmas mixer for all college-age dependents Dec. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center (Log Cabin).

Reservations will be taken through Dec. 19. This will be a casual evening of music and refreshments.

For information or reservations, call Cheryl Dixon at 561-2398.

Don't burn wrapping paper

The tree is all trimmed and the packages underneath it make a lovely picture. But on Christmas morning when all the presents are unwrapped the site won't be so nice.

To help speed the clean-up and add a nice warm touch to the day, some Presidio families with fireplaces will burn the wrapping paper.

According to Fire Inspector Robert Streeter, Presidians could be asking for trouble if they attempt to burn the paper in their fireplaces.

"Because of their extreme flammability, there could be a health hazard and the fire could easily get out of control causing a more serious situation."

"Paper should never be burned in wood stoves, fireplaces or incinerators," Streeter continued. "Instead they should be thrown out with other trash."

Streeter recommends that fireplace operators try starting their fires with kindling, little pieces of wood small enough to start easily, but big enough to get the larger logs burning.

Presidio fire department officials ask all Presidians whether they live on or off-post to follow simple holiday safety rules to help make the season not only happy and bright but also to prevent it from turning into a tragedy.

Goodwill van undergoing trial on-post

There's one place on post where you can always see the sun shining—the new Goodwill van at the west end of Crissy Field.

The van replaces the collection box formerly located in the commissary parking lot.

The van will be manned Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be here for a 30 day trial period.

According to Ms. Mary Beth Chamberlain, public relations officer, Goodwill

needs clothing, housewares, stereos, televisions, typewriters, radios, lamps, tools, books, dish sets, jewelry, kitchen items, sheets, bed spreads, and shoes in good condition.

Goodwill also accepts cars in running condition.

Chamberlain explains that Goodwill cannot accept mattresses and box springs, plumbing fixtures, newspapers, car parts, weekly magazines, washers or dryers, stoves or refrigerators, metal bed springs, custom

fitted upholstered furniture or carpeting and pads.

The donations, which are tax deductible, are used in the Goodwill training and job program for about 200 handicapped persons in the Bay Area.

"I recommend that people bring their donations by during regular open hours," says Chamberlain, "because there are some people who steal the items left for us."

"Also the attendant will be able to give donation cards at that time."

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Less than \$15 total

Four caught shoplifting at post stores

by Tim Dewar

Santa's gift list may be shorter after this weekend.

At least four people may be dropped from Santa's list after they were caught shoplifting at the main PX and Four Seasons store.

According to Mrs. Sandra Bourne, Presidio Exchange manager, a dependent wife was caught by store detectives Friday morning. Apparently, she was trying to round out her Christmas shopping with a free wallet.

Later that day, store detectives noticed a young boy slip an ink pen into his belt. The

youngster and a friend were then followed to the Four Seasons store where they were seen stealing a candy bar. The boys were then seen climbing over the fence surrounding the Garden department.

Sunday morning, store detectives observed a man trying to leave the PX without paying for a can of deodorant and a bottle of tonic.

The combined price for all of the stolen articles according to Bourne was under \$15.

Bourne also adds, "In many cases, the shoplifters do have the money to pay for the articles, but instead choose to try to get them free."

The items are far from free if the shoplifter gets caught. According to Capt. Jeannie Bartlett, Criminal Law Department of the Judge advocates general's office, retired military personnel and dependents can have their shopping privileges revoked, either temporarily or permanently. Active duty personnel can be prosecuted under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice.

In addition to the punishment they receive, the shoplifters must also face their friends and family and tell them, "I was caught shoplifting."

Getting caught shoplifting may put you on someone's list, but it won't be Santa Claus'.



As visitors of sugar plums dance in her head

Many Presidians may soon have "visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads" as the post heads toward the Christmas holidays.

The Star Presidian offers its readers a view of the season with this special holiday issue. For yuletide coverage, see pages 2-5.

Officer killed in car crash

by Tom Tiernan

A Presidio officer was killed last Friday evening in a head on collision near Vallejo.

Killed was 1st Lt. Benjamin T. Smith, of Company D 864th Engineers.

According to Maj. Robert J. Maybein of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office, the Pacifica native was traveling east on Highway 37 when he apparently lost control of his car going onto the shoulder. It appears he then over-corrected and drove across the double yellow line hitting another car head-on.

The 25 year old Smith, and the 18-year old driver of the second car were both killed on impact. The driver of a third car was taken to a local hospital for treatment.

A memorial service for the 864th platoon leader was held Tuesday in the Fort Scott Chapel.

Maybein urges all Presidians to drive carefully all-year, especially during the holiday season.

He advises Presidians to avoid mixing drinking and driving, but if they do they should ask a non-drinking friend or family member to drive them home.

Throughout the holiday season the military police will be running courtesy patrols for those Presidians who "partake too much of the spirits". Rides will be limited to those who live on the post. If you need a ride you can call the MP desk at 561-2251.

Post sets XMAS hours

As the post prepares to celebrate Christmas, many post facilities will be slowing down and in many cases closing due to holidays and personnel shortages.

Hours at the Post Exchange however, have been expanded to help ease crowds. The main store and shoppette will be open Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., through Dec. 23.

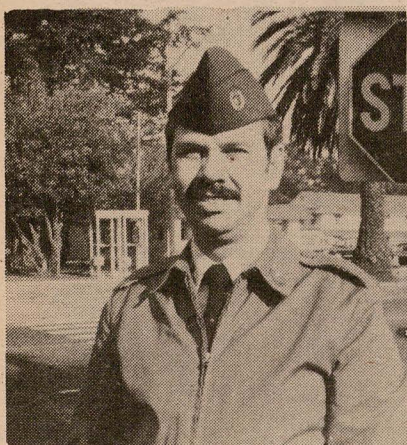
On Christmas and New Year's Eve the stores will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. All PX facilities will be closed Christmas and New Years Day.

At the commissary, the store will be open Christmas and New Years Eves from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The facility will be closed Christmas, Dec. 26 and New Year's Day.

Persons requiring medical care during the holidays should note that all clinics will be open during normal duty hours, however, there will be reduced staffing in the afternoons. Therefore, the folks at Letterman Army Medical Center request that routine clinic visits be made during the morning.

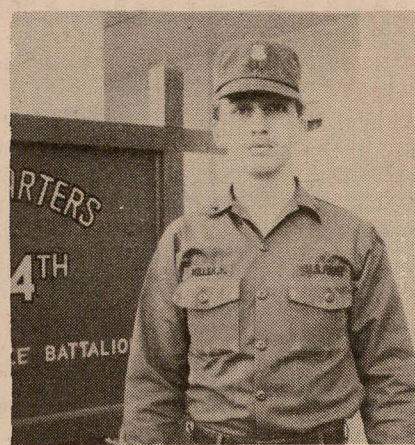
Ramblin' Sam

What would be the best gift you could get for Christmas?

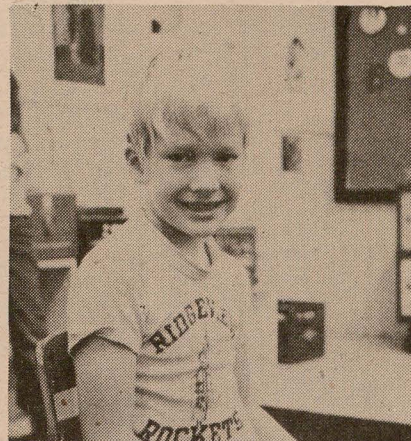
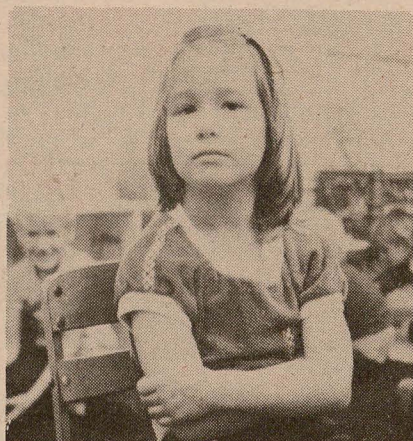


MSgt. Edward Hawkins, WRC- "I want some western style clothing for a gift, such as new boots, a belt, and some shirts."

Pvt Ron Miller, 504th- "Going home to spend time with the family and the 'lady's' would be the best gift on Christmas."



Vanessa Daddazio- "A kissing barbie and the doll Snuggles. That's what I want for Christmas."

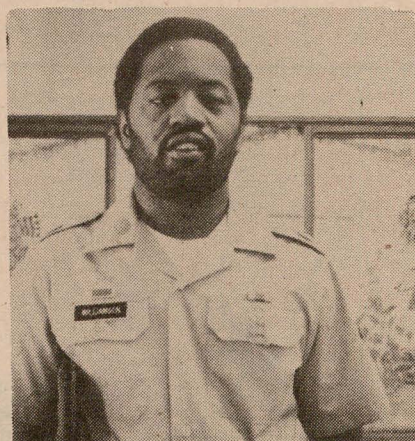


Scott Stolz- "I want a Star Wars Spaceship and the Yoda figure in it."

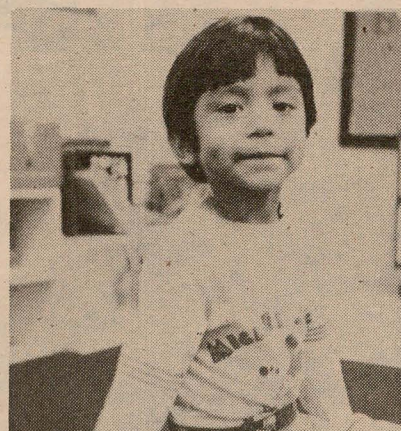
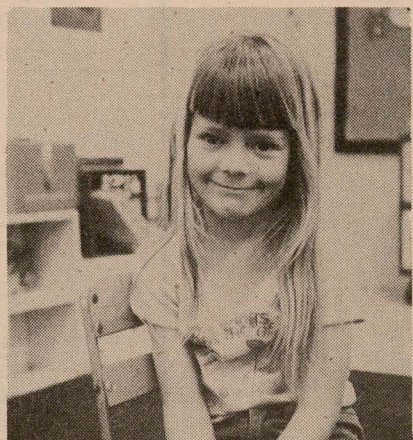


Col Jim Fry, IG- "The best gift would be to have my entire family together in San Francisco during the Christmas holiday."

Sp4 Ronald Williamson, LAMC- "I would like to go home to see my mother and family, but also ensure they are in the best of health."



Jennifer Stolz- "I want the whoppies doll tht has pony tails."

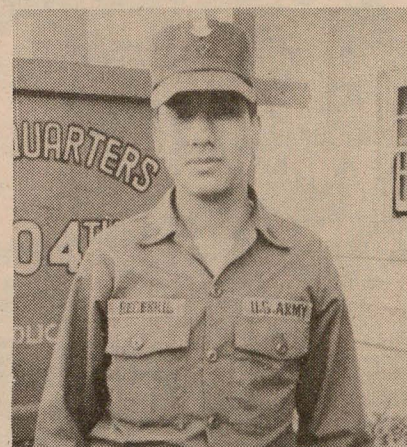


Alvin Gonzalez- "I want a GI Joe doll for Christmas."



ExZelda White, TMP- "The gift I want for Christmas is seeing my grandmother walk again."

Sp4 Albert Becerril, 504th MP- "The gift I want for Christmas is the happiness of being with my son during the holi-day."



It was a good year

Dear Readers,

This has been a very good year for the Star Presidian. Among our achievements were a DA Journalism Award, the first in six years, and an honorable mention in the DA Keith L. Ware Awards.

The entire staff is very proud of these laurels. But what has made us even happier is the response we have received from many of you, yes even you Cincinnati.

This paper would not be possible if it weren't for the many people who have volunteered their help and assistance. So to close out 1980, I'd like to thank these people: Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., Mr. John Green, Sp5 Ken Juber, Mr. Karl Gaffney, Mr. Noli Manus, Sp5 Debbie Schoettlin, Mr. Jim Hudgins, Sp5 Jon Chelgren, Mr. Mike Workman, Mr. Bart Porter, Mr. Dick Folger and crew, Ms. Liz Dela Torre, Mr. Chuck Dasey, Sp5 Gene Hill, Mr. Bob Mahoney, Mr. Eric Saul, the Sixth Army Public Affairs staff, Mrs. Margret McCarty, Pvt. Tim Dewar, Maj. Mike Christy, SSgt. Harey Kinoshita, SFC Vernon Winters, Mrs. Kay Tiernan, Mrs. Mary Schuster and the ACX volunteers, the post police detail and finally all of you who deliver the Star Presidian.

To all of our readers, the entire staff joins me in wishing each of you a very wonderful holiday season and a happy New Year.

See you Jan. 8, 1981.

SSgt. Tom Tiernan

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Christmas is many things

by Chaplain (Capt) George Bearden
504th MP Battalion

This is the time of year of the annual search for the "real meaning of Christmas."

Various theories of the real meaning of Christmas are set forth by such authorities as school Christmas plays, television cartoon specials, novels, church Christmas programs, and greeting card commercials. However, the question of what really is the meaning of Christmas is never answered to the satisfaction of everyone.

Perhaps this consensus of opinion is so different to reach because the meaning of Christmas is so different for so many people. For many of us, the hassle and hurry of Christmas shopping is worth it when we see the pleasure and joy our gifts bring to others.

Many of us also are willing to travel hundreds or even thousands of miles to be able to sit down to Christmas dinner with our family all around us.

Others of us get caught up in the social whirl that invariably surrounds Christmas, but still feel it is worthwhile for us to be able to greet our friends during the holidays.

Still others of us find meaning in Christmas by participating in religious activities such as chapel Christmas programs, carol singing, and special Christmas services. All these facets of Christmas have deep meaning for certain people.

On the other hand, Christmas also can have negative meanings for some people. For many, Christmas is a time of great loneliness. This is especially true in a military community such as is ours.

Some of us are too far away from our families to be home for Christmas. Some of us are new to Presidio and do not even have friends here. Some even have duty on Christmas day.

For some among us here at Presidio, Christmas is a day of loneliness instead of joy.

Thus, the inevitable question arises, what is the real meaning of Christmas?

The answer is that Christmas is gifts, family, friends, church services, and even loneliness. But it is also much more! It is a celebration of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth and the events surrounding this birth. But it is even more than that! Christmas is in fact a celebration of God's love.

The apostle John wrote, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Thus in Christmas, Christians celebrate the fact that God loves all of humanity so much that He became human in order to draw each person into the warmth of His love. This love extends to the harried Christmas shopper, the wearily traveler on his way home, the party-goer, and the church-goer. And it especially extends to the lonely, forgotten soldier so far from home.

So this Christmas day let us all say this little prayer: Lord, as St. Francis prayed that we might be made instruments of thy peace, we also pray that we might be made instruments of thy love. May we not get so caught up in the spirit of the Christmas season that we forget what the Christmas season really is—the celebration of the coming of your gift of love to us. And may we stand ready to share this love with others.



And Fido, too

Homes and offices aren't the only areas on post being decorated for the holidays. Christmas trees and decorations have also appeared in the pet

cemetery as the Presidio heads toward the Yuletide season.

(Photo by Tim Dewar)

Christmas

It's time to say thanks to all of you

This copy of the Star Presidian is the last for 1980.

It is a good time for us to reflect on the joyful promise of Christmas and to recognize the uncertainties of 1981.

The Christmas message will, I hope, be alive in every Presidio home and with every Presidian's family, military or civilian, on-post or elsewhere.

The past year has been one of accomplishment in providing service and support to active and Reserve Component soldiers, to patients in the hospital and to their families. Thanks go to each

of you for the past year's successes.

The year ahead will have more than the usual problems of doing more with less. At home we face inflation and recession. Overseas our Armed Forces must be more alert than ever in an increasingly dangerous world. We will do our part in meeting these challenges here at the Presidio during 1981.

But, for now, let us concentrate on Christmas presents. My family and I wish everyone a very happy holiday.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Cinnatus is really all wet

Dear Cinnatus:

I wonder, Cinnatus, would you be so critical if fire fighters were asked if they were prepared to fight fires? It seems to me that asking a soldier if he is prepared to fight a war amounts to the same thing.

Let's look at it this way. It is the job of a fire fighter to be prepared to fight fires with the greatest of skill possible. It is this preparedness through training which saves lives and minimizes property damage if a fire should start. And fires do start just as wars have a tendency to flare up.

Following this logic, it is important that a military force is trained well enough to win a war at the least cost. This comes down to the basic principle you are questioning, namely-being prepared to fight wars.

Let's not be naive, Cinnatus. If we are not prepared for war and any would-be adversary were to see this, it's off to war we go. Please keep in mind that trained fire fighters do not cause fires nor does a prepared military cause wars.

TCIAW*

(*This Cinnatus Is All Wet)

I'm dismayed by your letter, Cincy

Dear Cinnatus,

I read your letter to the editor with complete dismay. I find it difficult to believe you are an educated person living in the 20th century.

While I too embrace the ideals of our founding fathers and the principles for which this nation stands, I feel I am contemporary enough to realize that the real world situation dictates an ever-

ending modification of how we maintain our principles if we are to survive.

Freedom does not come free—we must always be willing to pay whatever price is necessary. Being prepared for war, I am sorry to say, is that price.

By the way, where can I buy those rose-color glasses you wear to look at the world with?

Jane Doe, American 1980

The week before Christmas

T'was the week before Christmas and all through the post the place was a bustle with real busy folks.

The decorations were all hung in the offices with care so workers could help spread the holiday cheer.

The children were all nestled and snug in their beds while visions of Christmas presents danced in their heads.

Mama in her kerchief, Pappa in his cap had just settled down for a short winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.

The early morning fog had lifted to give a clear view of the crowd down below.

And what to my wondering eyes should appear, but hundred of soldiers heading home to end the year.

With a little old driver so lively and quick I knew some of them were getting help from Saint Nick.

Away to the airport the soldiers they flew as they shouted their goodbyes to friends that they knew.

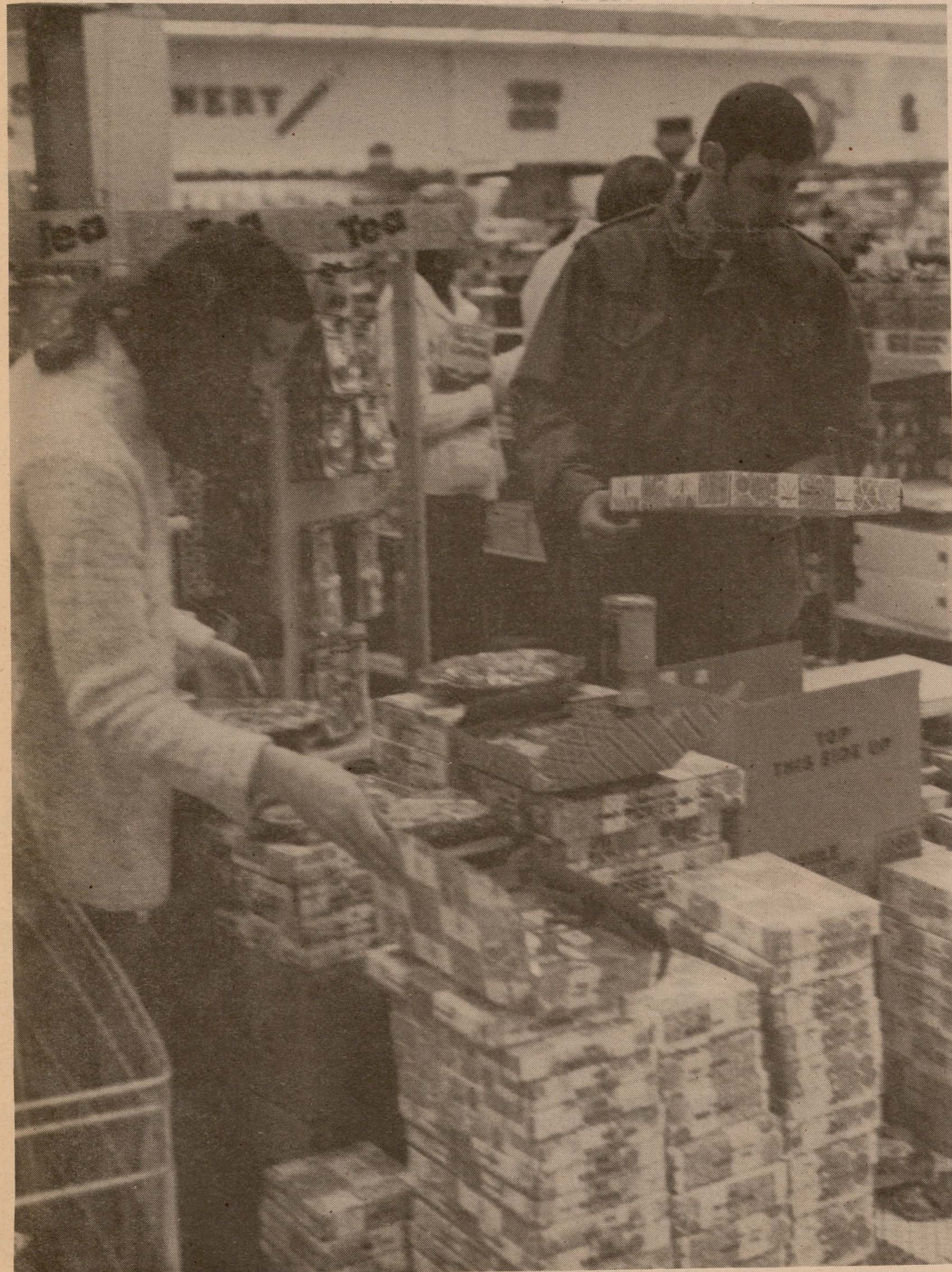
And I heard them exclaim as they drove out of sight, Merry Christmas to all and to all a Happy New Year.



Santa listens to a youngsters wishes during a recent Christmas party.



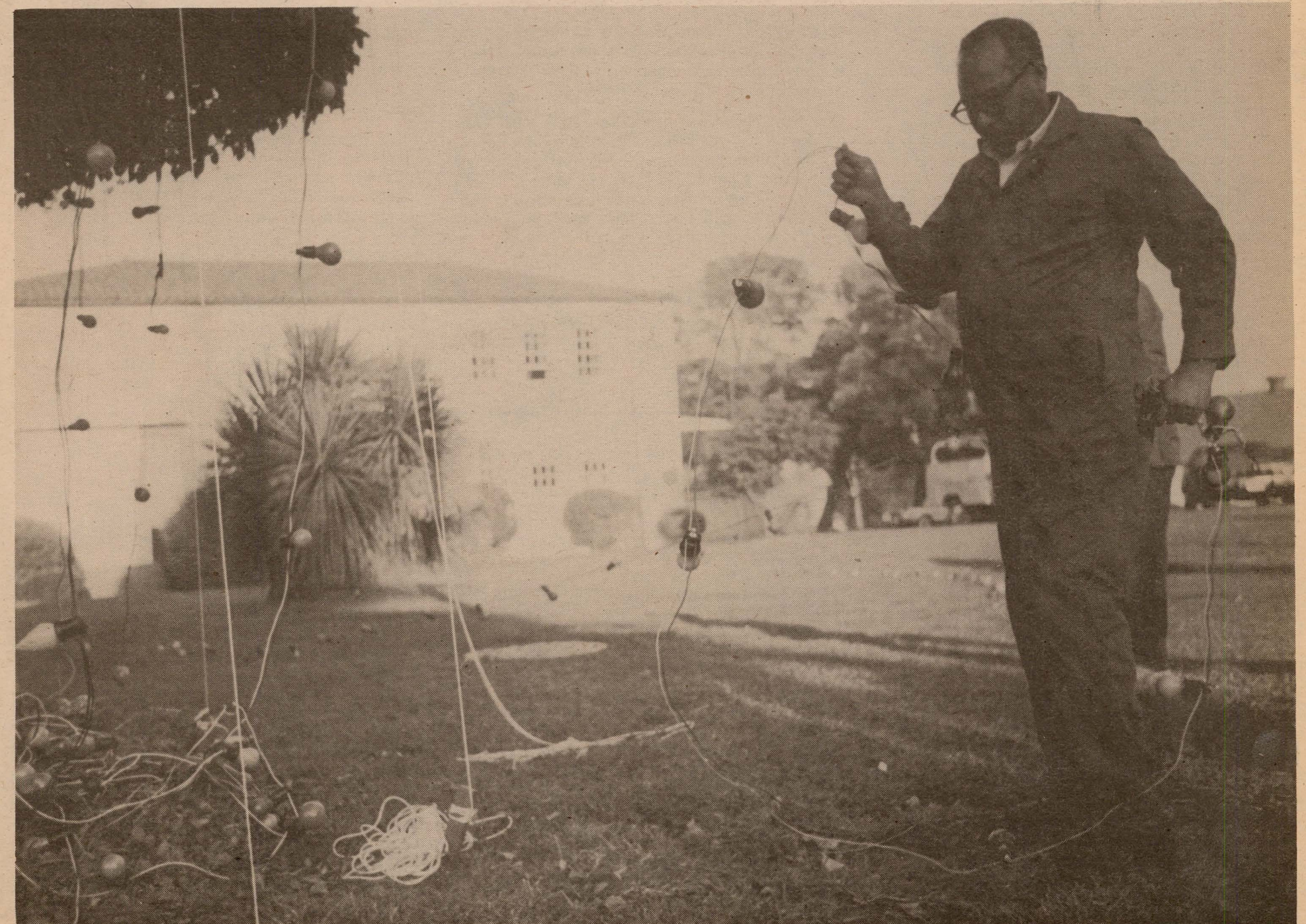
Members of the Sixth Army Band entertain a crowd at COMPACT with holiday tunes.



Capt. Gary Wood and his wife, Karen, wrap up their shopping at the Post exchange.



1st Lt. Michelle Wojtas brightens up a ward at LAMC.



Ernest Edwards of the Facility Engineers starts stringing the lights on the post Christmas tree prior to Tuesday's lighting ceremonies.

Time to spare

Big names spending holidays in Bay Area

The **Dicken's Christmas Faire** continues through Dec. 28 at Fort Mason Pier 3. Parking is available at Crissy Field with shuttle bus service provided for a small fee. Admission to the faire is \$7.25 for adults, \$4.50 for senior citizens and \$3.75 for children.

Camelot, starring Richard Burton, opens tonight at the **Golden Gate Theater**.

The Oakland Ballet's production of the **Nutcracker Suite** opens **tomorrow at 8 p.m.** at the **Paramount Theatre**. Performance times are 2 p.m. on Dec. 20, 21, 24, 27, and 28, and 8 p.m. on Dec. 19, 20, 23, 26, and 27.

Cheap Trick performs at the **Oakland Auditorium Arena Sunday at 8 p.m.**

The Temptations with special guest star, **Tom Browne** will appear at the **Circle Star Theater Dec. 26 and 27**. Also coming to the Circle Star are **B.B. King, Bobby, "Blue" Bland, and Johnny "Guitar" Watson Dec. 3 through Jan. 1.**

The Cow Palace will host the **Marshall Tucker Band** and **Gamma New Year's Eve**. Joining them will be **Ronnie Montrose** and other special guests. Tickets cost \$15 in advance.

Over at the **Warfield Theatre** the New Year will be welcomed by the **Jim Carroll Band** and the **Contractions**. Tickets are \$8.50 and \$9.50 for reserve seats.

A New Year's Eve Concert by the **Grateful Dead** is just one of many scheduled by the group in the Bay Area. The Dec. 31 bash will begin at 8 p.m. Other concert dates at the Oakland Auditorium Arena included Dec. 26, 27, 28, and 30. Tickets are limited to four per persons.

You can sail into the New Year with **Pablo Cruise** at the **Old Waldorf Dec. 31 at 7:30 and 11 p.m.** Tickets for the show are \$15 in advance.

Cost of the 11 p.m. show is \$30 in advance, which includes champagne, hors d'oeuvres and party favors.

A New York Steak dinner, continental breakfast, a split of champagne, party favors and dancing can be had at the **Presidio Officer's Club** for \$25 per person. Tickets are on sale at the club.

Disco will highlight the **New Year's Eve Party at the Presidio NCO/EM Club**. Beginning at 9 p.m. you can boogie to the sounds of the **New Genises Disco Top 40** group and **Doc**



Merry Christmas

Santa and Mickey Mouse join together to wish everyone season's greetings from Disneyland.

Discounts to the amusement park are available through the Presidio Recreation Center.

Webb and his Disco Machine. Cost of the evening is \$8 per person and \$15 per couple. Tickets include a split of champagne, breakfast and party favors. Make your reservations soon.

Get the New Year off to a fast start with a **ski weekend** at Lake Tahoe, Jan. 30 through Feb. 1. The trip is being sponsored by the Outdoor Recreation Center. Cost of the outing is \$70 which includes transportation, lodging, ski equipment, rental and instruction, meals and other fees. Deadline for sign up is Jan. 19.

Classes offered

The Fort Scott Education Center will offer the following classes between Jan. 6 and Mar. 6, 1981:

Military Correspondence
Typing I and II
Refresher Math
Shorthand I
Refresher English

A **German Headstart** class will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m., Jan. 12 through Mar. 24. A **Korean Headstart** class will be conducted Jan. 20 through Mar. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

English as a Second Language, an on-going course will also continue after the New Year.

For more information contact the Fort Scott Education Center. These classes are open to all military, dependents and DoD civilians.

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

Dec. 18 **Somewhere in Time** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 19 **Somewhere in Time** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 20 **Godzilla on Monster Island** (G)—2 p.m.
Dec. 20 **Grease** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 21 **The First Deadly Sin** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 22 **The First Deadly Sin** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 23 **The Jerk** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 24 **Headin' For Broadway** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 25 **Kramer vs Kramer** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 26 **Kramer vs Kramer** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 27 **Hugo The Hippo** (G)—2 p.m.
Dec. 28 **The Big Brawl** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 29 **The Big Brawl** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 30 **Die Laughing** (PG)—7 p.m.

Dec. 31 **Stone Cold Dead** (R)—7 p.m.
Jan. 1 **Xanadu** (PG)—7 p.m.

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Dec. 18 **National Lampoon's Animal House** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 19 **My Bodyguard** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 20 **Somewhere in Time** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 23 **Grease** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 24 **The First Deadly Sin** (R)—7 p.m.
Dec. 26 **Headin' For Broadway** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 29 **Kramer vs Kramer** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 30 **Foolin' Around** (PG)—7 p.m.
Dec. 31 **The Big Brawl** (R)—7 p.m.

Jan. 1 **Die Laughing** (PG)—7 p.m.
Jan. 2 **Stone Cold Dead** (R)—7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Robby Benson stars as a lead-footed cab driver who loves to play and sing rock music in the wild comedy thriller **Die Laughing**. Suddenly wanted for murder, one that he hasn't committed, Benson joins with a brainy monkey on a mad adventure that roars all over San Francisco, including the Presidio. It's a chase-and-be-chased battle that he hopes can keep him alive—and even make his music group top rock stars! The profanity and violence may be offensive to some.

Luncheons set for new year

The Presidio Equal Opportunity office will sponsor a "monthly cultural luncheon" beginning in January 1981.

The luncheons will be held at different restaurants around San Francisco and offer the cuisine from a different country each month. "This is really a unique opportunity for all Presidians to sample different foods, learn about different restaurants and just get together for good food and a good time," says Capt. Ron Seikel.

The luncheons are planned for the second Tuesday of each month. A free bus will be provided at the main post bus stop located across from bank and cafeteria at 11:30 p.m. with departure at 11:40 a.m. Depending on size of group and distance to restaurant, the bus will return between 1 and 1:30 p.m.

"I'm personally selecting restaurants that offer good food, a reasonable price, and 15% group discount off regular price. I'm attempting to find restaurants close to post, however, many unique ones are located 20 minutes away," Seikel reports.

"German, Chinese, Hungarian, Korean and many other restaurants are on the list to be scheduled," comments Seikel. "Flyers and articles in the Star Presidian will advise everyone

about each luncheon in advance and the type of food to expect.

The restaurants need to know approximately how many to prepare for, so reservations should be made by calling the EO office at 561-3701/5045/4602. Past luncheons, as during Hispanic Week, have proved to be very successful. Problems encountered such as the bus getting lost and wasting time have been corrected," adds Seikel. "We hope to make the second Tuesday of each month something everyone looks forward to."

The first luncheon will be held Jan. 13 with German cuisine to be featured. For more information call the Presidio Equal Opportunity at 561-3701.

Classes start in February

Universities announce spring schedules

Two local universities have announced on-post courses scheduled for the Spring term, Feb. 2, through Mar. 25, 1981.

The City College of San Francisco will offer three courses while the San Francisco State University will offer four on-post and one off-post.

City College of San Francisco will offer:

Human Relations for Supervisors, business course worth two semester hours. The class will meet every Tuesday and Thursday.

Life and Death, a three semester sociology course will be held every Monday and Wednesday.

Legal Aspects of Real Estate, a three semester business course will meet every Tuesday and Thursday.

All City College classes meet from 6-9 p.m. at

the Fort Scott Education Center. Tuition is free to all California residents and soldiers and their dependents who have been in the state less than a year. Non-resident tuition is \$50 a semester hour.

San Francisco State University will offer the following courses:

U. S. History to 1865, a three semester course which meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 5-7:45 p.m. at the Fort Scott Education Center.

Second Year Composition will meet every Thursday from 6 to 8:45 p.m. English 114 or its equivalent is required for the three semester hour course. The class will be held at the Fort Scott Education Center.

San Francisco, a humanities course worth three semester hours will be offered every Monday and Wednesday from 5-7:45 p.m. in LAIR room AS 3213.

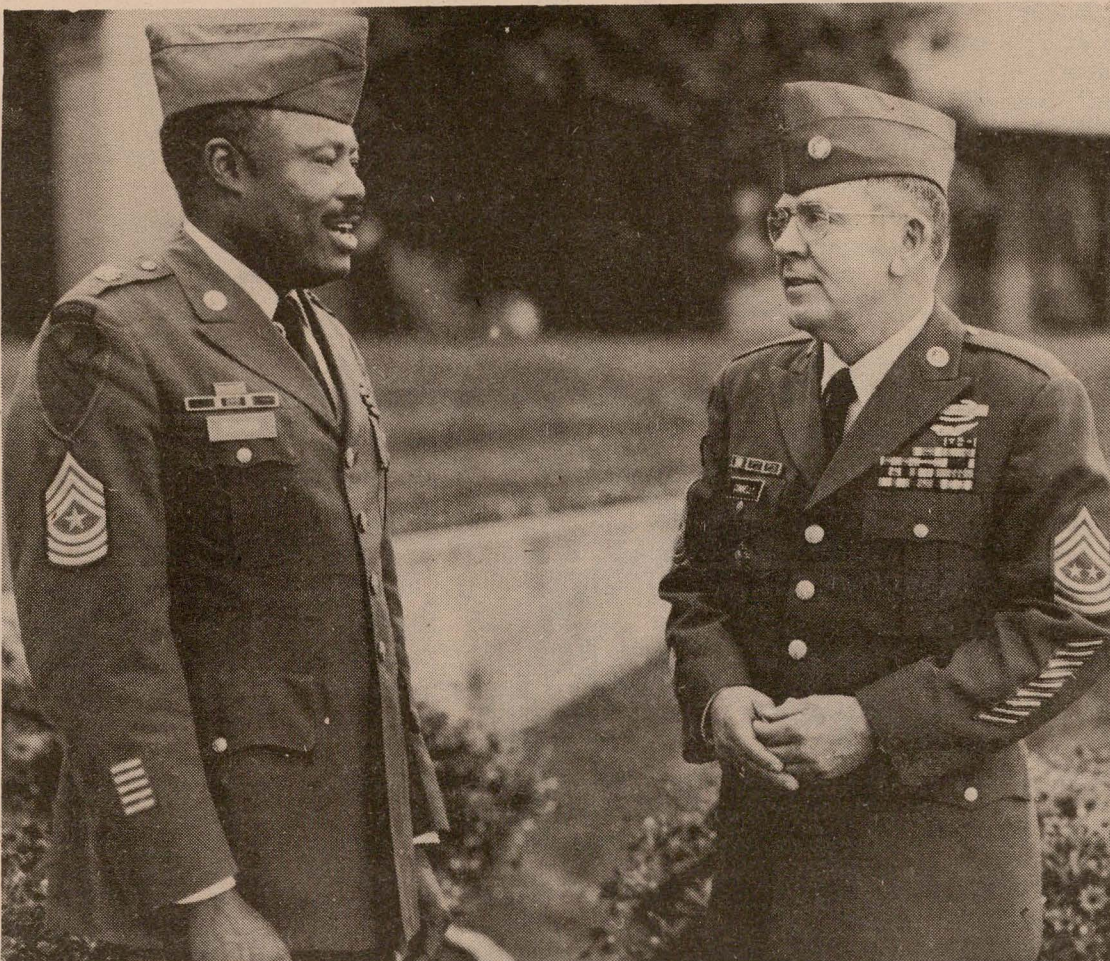
Survey of Chemistry, a three semester hour class will be held every Monday from 5-7 p.m. through May 15. The course will be taught in LAIR room AS 3101.

Survey of Chemistry Laboratory, a one semester course, will be held every Thursday from 6-8:45 p.m. at the San Francisco State University Physical Science Building, room 722.

Tuition for San Francisco State University courses is \$45 per semester hour except for the chemistry lab which is \$90.

Active duty students who wish to use the 75 percent tuition assistance for any City College or San Francisco State course must apply at least three working days before the class begins.

For more information contact either the Fort Scott Education Center at 561-4445 or the LAMC Ed Center at 561-4030.



Dynamic duo?

Sgt. Maj. Joseph L. Norman (l.) of the Sixth Army Chaplain's Office discusses the highlights of the 1980 Command Sergeants Major Conference with SMA William Connelly. The conference was held at the Presidio last week and drew senior NCOs

from throughout the 15 western states, Alaska and Hawaii. During the conference Connelly told the active, reserve and national guard attendees that the Army's professional NCO corps was the answer to its problems.

Bennies to be tested for year

Presidio soldiers may be among the beneficiaries of a one-year test of new educational benefits for servicemembers.

The test will be conducted using \$75 million set aside by the FY 81 DoD Authorizations act for that purpose.

An Army personnel official explained the test plan for the army will involve four separate programs.

*A loan forgiveness program which will be offered nationwide by the military services. Details of the program will be worked out by DoD, the military services and the Department of Education.

*A new educational assistance program which will be offered by each military service in certain parts of the country. Members in this program, which was suggested by the house armed services committee, cannot take part in the Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP).

*A noncontributory VEAP which will also be offered in certain parts of the country by the military services. This senate armed services committee proposal would have DoD pay servicemembers' contributions to the Veterans Administration (VA) on a monthly basis. Officials say servicemembers may not use the VEAP benefits until the end of their first term of service.

*A super VEAP kicker program which will be offered only by the Army in certain parts of the country.

According to an Army personnel official, servicemembers who take part in the loan forgiveness program must meet certain requirements. He explained the servicemember must enlist after Nov. 30, 1980 and before Oct. 1, 1981. They must also have either a guaranteed student loan or a national direct student loan made to them after Oct. 1, 1975. The loan forgiveness program is open to both active and reserve component enlistees who are high school diploma graduates, score 50 or above in verbal math on the entrance examination, and opt for training in critical skills.

Presidio News Notes

Presidio cited for energy

The Presidio is one of nine federal agencies being recognized for significant energy savings by the San Francisco Federal Executive Board in ceremonies today.

Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, will receive the award from Harry Echols, chairman of the Federal Executive Board, for energy conservation on the order of 10 percent for 1980.

In addition, the award cites the Presidio for increasing public awareness of the need to conserve through feature articles in the **Star Presidian**.

According to Dale Cook of the San Francisco Office of the Department of Energy, the Presidio and the other federal agencies collectively saved the equivalent of the energy needs of 15,000 homes in the Bay Area.

As part of the conservation effort, the post cuts hot water in office areas, enforced temperature control in homes and offices, changed outdoor lights to a more efficient type and replaced old boilers with newer, more efficient ones.

Promos set

The following are planned promotions by grade for January 1981:

Grade	Dec. 1 Promotions	Jan. 1, 1981 Promotions
06	56	48
05	179	110
04	263	166
03	126	450
W4	24	18
W3	67	63
E9	71	59
E8	407	170
E7	942	449
E6	2422	973
E5	5474	5096

Officials said the drop in promotions for E-6 on Jan. 1 brings the number more to normal. Promotions to E-6 were up over recent months to bring the E-6 strength more in line with the number allowed. (ARNEWS)

Christmas party planned

A fun DYA Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Presidio Theater, Dec. 20 at 10 a.m. Presidio youngsters ages four through 12 are



A clouded vision

PFC Angelina Garcia of LAMC wins Photo of the Week honors with this shot of the Golden Gate

Bridge. Her entry joins others vying for Photo of the Quarter honors.

invited.

The program will include an hour of cartoons, a professional puppet show, presents and snacks for everyone; and, a visit from Santa.

There is no charge for this program.

Wrestling offered

Dependent Youth Activities will offer youngsters the opportunity to learn the sport of wrestling beginning Jan. 6.

Interested persons should contact Mr. Gaffney at the main post gym, 561-4120.

Mixer planned

The Presidio Officers' Wives' Club will sponsor a Christmas mixer for all college-age dependents Dec. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center (Log Cabin).

Reservations will be taken through Dec. 19. This will be a casual evening of music and refreshments.

For information or reservations, call Cheryl Dixon at 561-2398.

Sign up for soccer

There is still time to sign up and play DYA soccer. We have a few openings remaining for those under 14 years old and under 10 years old. Contact Maj. Woolford at 561-2993 for more information.

Good things come in double packages

Capt. Ragni Jantzen welcomes Natasha and Scott Myers to the world and the Presidio while 2nd Lt. Gail Depp does the same for Michell and Tina Ignacio. The "little four-some" was two of three sets of twins born during the month of November. According to Chuck Dasey, LAMC Public Affairs Officer, the birth on three sets of twins in one month at LAMC is extremely rare. Twins are normally born in one of 90 births and approximately 40 single babies are born here each month. In the case of the Myers and Ignacio twins, they have something else in common, their fathers both work at Letterman. Natasha and Scott are the children of Sp4 and Mrs. Wayne Myers, Wayne works on the Pediatric Ward just across the hall from the Newborn Nursery. The Ignacio girls were born to SSgt. and Mrs. Johnny Ignacio, their father works in the LAMC command section as a driver. The third set of twins, Edward and Albert Davis, are the sons of PFC and Mrs. Lovell Davis. Their dad is stationed in Germany, but mom lives in Daly City. (Photo by John Green)

